PRAYER CALENDAR

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It is reported that during the last year almost a million foreigners have come to our shores, an increasing portion of them being Italians, Poles and Hungarians. More than thirty per cent. of them come from Italy. A large part of that thirty per cent. come from southern Italy.

The foreign-born population of the State of Pennsylvania is 985,250. The children of foreigners born in Pennsylvania number 1,420,028. It is said there are 700,000 people in Pennsylvania and West Virginia who do not speak the English language, and that by far the largest part of them never attend a religious service.

"The King's business requireth haste. If the Church of Christ is going to keep pace with the quickened activity of all our modern civilization, with the flying steps that move so relentlessly to the good or evil of communities, she must gird herself as never before with the imperative of her great commission and the intensity of the principles she proclaims."—*C. L. Thompson, D.D.*

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Let us pray for the spirit of consecration, the spirit of speed, the spirit of benevolence, the spirit of prayer, that our land may grow in spiritual glory, and that the whole earth may know that the Father sent the Son to be the Redeemer and King of men.

THU 1

The Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee; he will not fail thee.—Deut. xxxi : 8.

We pause beside this door—
Thy year, O God, how shall we enter in?
How shall we thence Thy hidden treasures win?
Shall we return in beggary as before,
When Thou art near at hand with infinite wealth,
Wisdom and heavenly health?

The footsteps of a child
Sound close beside us. Listen, He will speak.
His birthday bells have hardly rung a week,
Yet has he trod the world's press undefiled.
"Enter through Me," He saith,
"Nor wander more, for lo! I am the Door."

FRI 2

Prayer for the Board of Home Missions:

Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man. Hear, for I will speak of excellent things, and the opening of my lips shall be right things. . . . Counsel is mine and sound wisdom. —Prov. viii : 4, 6, 14.

The Lord of Hosts is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working.—Is. xxviii : 29.

SAT 3

Prayer for the Woman's Board of Home Missions:

Arise therefore and be doing, and the Lord be with thee.—I Chron. xxii : 16.

"O God, make of us what thou wilt;
Guide Thou the labor of our hand;
Let all our work be surely built
As Thou, the Architect, has planned."—*Henry van Dyke, D.D.*

SUN 4

Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my meditation. Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King and my God; for unto thee will I pray.—Ps. v : 1, 2.

MON 5

The Boards, their Officers and Committees.

Be ye stedfast, unmovable ; always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.—I Cor. xv : 58.

TUE 6

Synod of Iowa.

"Iowa is growing greatly in numbers and wealth and culture. The time cannot be distant when Iowa, which now has a large number of missionaries under the care of the Board, will become a distributer instead of a receiver of missionary aid."—*Charles H. Purmort, D.D., synodical missionary.*

Fear thou not; for I am with thee.—Isa. xli : 10.

WED 7

Cedar Rapids Presbytery. Churches, 38 ; 9 aided ; under care of 6 ministers.

"That our temporal prosperity may stimulate, even as it enables, the possessors to give large gifts ; that evangelistic work may be accompanied by success ; that reverence may be awakened in our youth, and that passion for Jesus Christ may burn in every heart, is our prayer."

I will strengthen thee ; yea, I will help thee.—Isa. xli : 10.

THU 8

Corning Presbytery. Churches, 34; 16 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

"What has been done for Christ, even in the older West, is but the story of what is yet to do and can be done. The time is distant when the Church can slacken in the least her efforts to evangelize our land and keep it evangelized."

I will call upon the Lord.—Ps. xviii : 3.

FRI 9

Council Bluffs Presbytery. Churches, 26 ; 5 aided ; under care of 5 ministers.

"We need men—persevering men—who are willing to take hold of our home mission fields and stay with them for the purpose of building them up to self-support. Short pastorates and long vacancies have much to do with keeping our churches weak."

My presence shall go with thee.—Ex. xxxiii : 14.

SAT 10

Des Moines Presbytery. Churches, 56; 18 aided; under care of 17 ministers.

"The work during the past year has been on the whole of an encouraging nature. Some of the fields which were considered the most difficult have begun to 'blossom as the rose.'"

The Lord will receive my prayer.—Ps. vi : 9.

SUN 11

Give ear to my prayer, O God! and hide not thyself from my supplication.—Ps. lv: 1.

I will cry unto God most high: unto God that performeth all things for me.—Ps. lvii: 2.

MON 12

Dubuque Presbytery. Churches, 42; 18 aided; under care of 13 ministers.

"The marked growth of our mission churches last year gives us new courage. Struggle has brought its reward. Difficulties overcome nerve us for fresh efforts. The presbytery seeks to double its home mission offering this year. We have not attained our goal, but we 'press on.'"

The Lord is at hand.—Phil. iv: 5.

TUE 13

Fort Dodge Presbytery. Churches, 56; 30 aided; under care of 16 ministers.

"Could you who give, see the self-denial and patience of the scores of educated men and women living in environments far beneath their needs, and scrimping upon a salary shameful in its meagreness, battling often with sickness, you could not be content with your past giving."

He that giveth, let him do it with simplicity.—Rom. xii: 8.

WED 14

Iowa Presbytery. Churches, 42; 9 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

The work in this presbytery has not made more rapid progress because of frequent pastoral changes. The difficulty of maintaining the old work prevents taking up new.

Be not dismayed, for I am thy God.—Isa. xli: 10.

THU 15

Iowa City Presbytery. Churches, 42; 14 aided; under care of 10 ministers.

"We have a band of earnest Christian men doing a humble but important work. Children are being brought to Christ; adults are being enlisted in His army; inroads are being made slowly but surely in the enemy's country."

His kingdom ruleth over all.—Ps. ciii: 19.

FRI 16

Sioux City Presbytery. Churches, 49; 20 aided; under care of 13 ministers.

"Six of our churches became self-supporting last year. One hundred towns in our presbytery are without a Presbyterian church. The increase of population demands our time and attention. We must arise and possess the land for Christ's sake."

The Lord is my helper.—Heb. xiii: 6.

SAT 17

Waterloo Presbytery. Churches, 37; 4 aided; under care of 4 ministers.

"Our work, all things considered, is in the best condition for years. Three of our churches that were much discouraged have been provided with ministers since Presbytery, and matters with them are very promising now. One of these has undertaken the building of a manse."

It is God that girdeth me with strength.—Ps. xviii: 32.

SUN 18

"Consider now the home mission duty of the hour. We are on the verge of a new century. Let us take a bold look outward—not the look of Moses to a land of rest: rather of some daring Cortez on some Darien peak looking over the seas of movements and conflicts as wide as humanity."—*Charles L. Thompson, D.D.*

Show me thy ways, O Lord, teach me thy paths.—Ps. xxv : 4.

MON 19

Home Mission Committees in all the Synods.

Each committee has general supervision of home mission work in its Synod. Equalizing salaries, stimulating churches to healthful rivalry in advance toward self-support, urging comity interests wherever possible—these are some of their duties.

In quietness and confidence shall be your strength.—Isa. xxx : 15.

TUE 20

Home Mission Committees in all the Presbyteries.

To these committees large responsibility is given by the General Assembly, as, after consultation with the Board, they arrange the distribution among their needy churches of the annual appropriation of the Board.

And ye also shall bear witness.—John xv : 27.

WED 21

Synod of Texas.

Henry S. Little, D.D., synodical missionary.

Texas is an immense State with a large and rapidly growing population. In spite of all that has been done there yet remain many localities altogether untouched by the gospel.

Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?—Acts ix : 6.

THU 22

Austin Presbytery. Churches, 28; 19 aided; under care of 10 ministers.

Vast numbers of settlers are going into Texas every week. Within fifty miles of El Paso there are about 20,000 Mexicans practically destitute of the gospel. There are several Bohemian communities for whose spiritual welfare no one cares.

Whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do.—Gen. xxxi : 16.

FRI 23

North Texas Presbytery. Churches, 12; 8 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

"Railroads are opening up the Panhandle to settlement and developing its resources. Silence the cry 'No new work,' give the gospel the right of way—the Lord will furnish the men if the Church will furnish the money for the redemption of North Texas."

God is able to make all grace abound toward you.—II Cor. ix : 8.

SAT 24

Trinity Presbytery. Churches, 15; 8 aided; under care of 5 ministers.

"Increase of populations gives us greater opportunities for work. Our chief foe is materialism. We beg our great Church to sustain us so strongly with prayers and gifts that we may not only stand, but also conquer and advance."

In all these things we are more than conquerers through him that loved us.—Rom. viii : 37.

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SUN 25

"America is to take up the white man's burden and do the largest part of the work in evangelizing and civilizing the whole world."
—*John Dixon, D.D.*

Bow down thine ear, O Lord, hear me:
Rejoice the soul of thy servant; for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
—Ps. lxxxvi : 1, 4.

MON 26

Synod of Kentucky.

"The year just closed has been a prosperous one. We have made advances in every department, yet at least half a dozen more counties ought to be entered. They need us, and we are under obligation to give them the gospel."
—*D. McDonald, D.D., Synodical Missionary.*

Seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not.—II Cor. iv : 1.

TUE 27

Ebenezer Presbytery.—Churches, 25; 5 aided; under care of 3 ministers.

The prospects are good and the work is progressing. More than ever before are the prayers of God's people needed for this field.

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart.
—Ps. xxvii : 14.

WED 28

Louisville Presbytery.—Churches, 25; 7 aided; under care of 4 ministers.

New work is being undertaken. There is yet much to do, but results thus far are encouraging.

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.—James iv : 8.

THU 29

Transylvania Presbytery.—Churches, 29; 12 aided; under care of 5 ministers.

"This is decidedly a home mission field; it needs above all things a genuine revival of religion. The educational work of the field is most encouraging. While the work moves slowly, there is evident progress."

Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you.—John xv : 16.

FRI 30

Buffalo Presbytery.—Churches, 47; 2 aided; under care of 2 ministers.

"The mission work for the Indians on the five reservations in western New York is under the care of two missionaries supported by the Board. The work is encompassed by special difficulties, but results manifest most clearly the saving and civilizing power of the gospel."

The Lord is in the midst of thee.—Zeph. iii : 15.

SAT 31

Synod of Indian Territory.

Rev. Frederick W. Hawley, synodical missionary.

Missionary work here is complicated because of the unsettled conditions regarding land tenure. Our missionaries look with hopeful anticipation to an early and final adjustment by the government of the disturbing questions.

God is faithful.—1 *Cor.* 1 : 9.

SUN 1

"O God, light of the hearts that see Thee, life of the souls that love Thee, strength of the thoughts that seek Thee, grant that with a holy love we may cleave to Thee. Grant us the joy of seeing many turn unto Thee, that our days may be bright with gladness because of Thy love."

MON 2

Anadarko, Okla. Ter. (Mary Gregory Memorial). Rev. S. V. Fait, superintendent; Miss Viola P. Barnes, Miss A. L. Beeson, teachers.

Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.
Our soul waiteth for the Lord: he is our help and our shield.
For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.
—Ps. xxxiii: 20-22.

The work in this school was interrupted during the year by an outbreak of small-pox. The teachers were never more heroic than in their self-sacrificing care of the nineteen cases.

TUE 3

Miss Clover P. Mahan, matron; Miss Tillie Guy, Miss Hattie J. Carmine, Miss Bertha Wilson, assistant matrons; Mr. H. E. Gordon, farmer.

Do good, O Lord, unto those that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts. —Ps. cxxv: 4.

WED 4

Dwight, I. T. (Marble P. O.) Rev. F. L. Shaub, superintendent and missionary; Miss MaBelle True, M.D., matron; Miss Rada Mathes, Miss N. M. Miller, teachers.

Thy mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.
Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep; O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.—Ps. xxxiii: 5, 6.

"Old Dwight" has taken a new lease of life. A new building has been opened to boys and is the third self-supporting boarding-school. The day-school has been crowded.

THU 5

Elm Spring, I. T. (Welling P. O.) Miss Carrie H. Montgomery, principal; Miss Alice A. Stringfield, teacher; Miss Sallie S. Mathes, matron.

How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.—Ps. xxxiii: 7.

The work at Elm Spring has taxed to the uttermost the principal and teachers, but has been greatly blessed.

FRI 6

Nuyaka, I. T. (Okmulgee P. O.) Mr. John M. Robe, superintendent; Mr. A. Holt Moore, principal teacher; Miss Lida A. Robe, teacher.

They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever.
As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even for ever.—Ps. cxxv: 1, 2.

"This is the only training school for full-blooded Creeks and has told wonderfully on the manners and morals of that people."

SAT 7

Miss Mary B. Robe, teacher; Mrs. John M. Robe, matron; Miss M. F. Robe, Miss Eunice E. White, assistant matrons.

"Let all nations come and worship Thee, laying their proud wills at Thy feet, submitting themselves to the obedience of Christ, and conforming their affections to Thy holy laws."

SUN 8

"O Lord, who art the health of our countenance and our God, when our hearts are cast down and disquieted within us, pity and comfort us.

"O Lord God, who dwellest in Zion and delightest to have Thy habitation in the hearts of men, make us fit for Thy abiding."

MON 9

Muskogee, I. T. (Henry Kendall College.) Rev. A. G. Evans, president; Mr. Ernest M. Patterson, Mr. Frank McAfee, Mr. L. M. Girton, Miss Alice L. Crosby, Miss Anise Sanford, teachers.

"Open thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law."

This school grows in interest and in favor with the people of the five civilized tribes in Indian Territory, as well as with many white people whose children enjoy its advantages. The graduating class of 1900 consisted of six young women and one young man. They were, without exception, Christians.

TUE 10

Miss Lelia V. Coleman, teacher; Miss Eva Huey, girls' matron; Mrs. A. E. W. Robertson, interpreter.

"Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning, for in thee do I trust.
Cause me to know the way wherein I should walk, for I lift my soul unto thee."

WED 11

Miss K. White, Miss E. D. Waddle, teachers.

"Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him; fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass."

THU 12

Park Hill, I. T. Miss Mary M. Russell, teacher.

Tahlequah, I. T. (Tahlequah Institute.) Miss Gertrude M. Sammons, principal; Miss Elizabeth Penrose, Miss Lucy M. Shafer, teachers.

"The Lord knoweth the days of the upright; and their inheritance shall be for ever."

"Many graduates of Tahlequah occupy prominent places in the capital city as well as in the surrounding country."

FRI 13

Miss E. B. Sidebotham, Miss Edith D. Lamme, teachers; Miss Lucretia C. Miller, music teacher; Miss Hattie D. Ross, matron.

"Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge."

SAT 14

Phoenix, Ariz. Rev. David M. Wynkoop, missionary.

Sacaton, Ariz. Mr. Edward Jackson, Mr. Thomas Lewis, Mr. Horace Williams, native evangelists.

"God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; Selah, That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations."

SUN 15

"O God, from whom all grace, and safety, and glory do proceed, hear our prayers whenever we call upon Thee, for our trust is in Thee alone."

MON 16

Tucson, Ariz. Mr. F. S. Herndon, superintendent; Miss Mary McCarle, Miss Minnie M. Shaver, Miss Laura W. Pierson, Miss D. B. Venard, teachers.

Miss Florence Dilley, Miss Mattie Hunter, Miss Lillian North, Miss Sophia Ostermeier, Miss Amanda Rundquest, industrial teachers.

Commit thy way unto the Lord: trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.—Ps. xxxvii: 5, 6.

This training-school for boys and girls is largely attended by Pimas and Papagoes. They are taught first of all the importance of becoming Christians. The Bible is the chief text-book.

TUE 17

Mrs. Jessie Juan Pedro, native, missionary; Mr. William L. Palmer, farmer.

"The righteous shall inherit the land and dwell therein forever."

WED 18

Fall River Mills, Cal. (Helen R. Foote Memorial.) Mrs. Isabella M. Cadwallader, missionary.

By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.—Rom. v: 2.

Hupa, Humboldt Co., Cal. Miss Martha E. Chase, missionary; Miss Nellie T. McGraw, missionary.

Ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.—I Cor. vi: 20.

THU 19

Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho. (Blackfoot P. O.) Miss Amelia J. Frost, missionary.

Lapwai, Idaho. Miss Kate McBeth, Miss Mazie Crawford, missionaries.

And this commandment have we from him, that he who loveth God love his brother also.—John iv: 21.

Already there have gone out from Lapwai more than half a score of ministers who are pastors of churches among their own people, and missionaries to the Umatillas, Crows and other kindred tribes.

FRI 20

White Cloud, Kan. Mrs. Anna Ferguson, missionary.

Cortez, Col. Miss Floretta Shields, Miss E. P. Houston, missionaries.

Lead me in thy truth, and teach me, for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.—Ps. xxv: 5.

Cortez is a unique mission among the Ute Indians in Southern Colorado, and is accomplishing for that people great good.

SAT 21

Wolf Point, Mont. Mrs. Cynthia D. King, principal; Miss Alice L. Byllesby, teacher; Mr. John Wynde (native), Indian teacher.

"O God, who hast given Thy Son the heathen for His inheritance, bless all who are laboring to bring them to Him. More and more may Christ's Church take upon her heart the burden that lies on His."

SUN 22

"O God, who givest grace to every one of us according to the measure that we will receive, dwell with us and be our God. Accept the worship we offer Thee this day and grant a blessing on all our efforts."

MON 23

Good Will, S. D. Rev. David E. Evans, superintendent; Miss Luella Thompson, principal teacher; Miss Mamie Loudon, Miss Jennie Moore, teachers.

Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.—Ps. xxxvii: 3, 4.
This is the only school under the Woman's Board where the cottage system is fully realized. This is a step in advance. The boys look after the farm, take care of the stock, prepare the fuel and do the ordinary work in the shops, while the girls care for the "homes," do the cooking and keep in repair their own clothing.

TUE 24

Miss Kate Loudon, Miss E. M. Smith, Miss Agnes Pond, matrons.

"Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress."

WED 25

Mr. John B. Howells, farmer; Mr. J. G. Innes, industrial teacher.

"Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart."
The eight churches surrounding Good Will are filled with men and women who have been educated in this school. These are among the most progressive Indians in our country, and were among the first to be given citizenship.

THU 26

Laguna, N. M. Rev. John Mordy, missionary.

Neah Bay, Wash. Miss Helen W. Clark, missionary, and Miss Katherine S. Hanna, teacher.

"Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubim, shine forth.
Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved."

FRI 27

"Conform our mind and will to Thy holy precepts, that we may imitate Thy Son in His devotion in prayer, His obedience to Thee, His zeal tempered with meekness, His patience heightened with charity, that we may ever grow in grace, till we come to the measure of the fulness of the stature of Christ."

SAT 28

Dakota Presbytery. Churches, 26; 25 aided; under care of 19 ministers.

"In fifty years we have taken from the Dakotas land for three great States, their living and their gods. Our government is working nobly to make up the two former, but without God. Pray that Dakota Presbytery may give them the true God."

I will be with thee . . . for I am the Lord thy God.—Isa. lxiii: 2, 3.

SUN 1

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path. —Ps. xxvii : 11.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust.—Ps. xxxi : 1.

MON 2

Choctaw Presbytery. Churches, 26; 26 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

"Financially we are weak, and we are surrounded by all the forces that ruin life. Pray that our members may grow in all the graces of the Christian life, that we may have a greater longing for souls, and more faith in the power of the Word."

That ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel.—Phil. 1 : 27.

TUE 3

Cimarron Presbytery. Churches, 24; 18 aided; under care of 14 ministers.

Cimarron Presbytery came into prominence last year by reason of the opening of Indian lands to white settlers. While the inrush of population has of course been very great, the peace and safety that prevail are a constant source of wonder.

The Lord shall guide thee continually.—Isa. lviii : 11.

WED 4

Oklahoma Presbytery. Churches, 27; 21 aided; under care of 13 ministers.

"The 'almighty dollar' rules the men to the degree that they keep neither God's sacred days nor His laws in its pursuit. Woman's influence is largely lost to the Church because of her interest in things that militate against the religious life."

Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.—Matt. xiii : 9.

THU 5

Sequoyah Presbytery. Churches, 31; 26 aided; under care of 17 ministers.

"The Indian Territory is in process of transformation into a State of the Union. The foundation of a new commonwealth is being laid: may we do our part that it may be laid in intelligence and righteousness and, above all, in Jesus Christ."

For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. —I Cor. iii : 11.

FRI 6

Synod of Tennessee. C. A. Duncan, D.D., synodical missionary.

The Synod as a whole has kept pace with the progress of the Church throughout the country. Its pressing need is to begin work in the mountain districts, remote from the old centers, and where little can be gleaned for self-help for some time to come.

We are labourers together with God.—I Cor. iii : 9.

SAT 7

French Broad Presbytery. Churches, 16; 10 aided; under care of 6 ministers.

"The Southern mountaineer has claims upon the gratitude of his countrymen. He stood in the breach when the life of the nation was in peril. His Scotch-Irish ancestry lays a peculiar obligation on the Presbyterian Church, the Church of his fathers. His need is sore: our duty imperative.

Prepare ye the way of the Lord.—Isa. xl : 3.

SUN 8

"Elevate our aspiration, purify our desires, cleanse our vision and strengthen our heart, that we may see clearly, desire strenuously, stand bravely for Thee and Thy work on the earth." *Amen.*

Save now, we beseech thee, O Lord!—Ps. cxviii : 25.

MON 9

Holston Presbytery. Churches, 27; 12 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

"Our prayer:—More wisdom and courage to do the work before us as we see it in the hill country of Tennessee, and more patience to wait for the harvest."

I must work the works of him that sent me.—John ix : 4.

TUE 10

Kingston Presbytery. Churches, 18; 15 aided; under care of 10 ministers.

A presbytery of varied conditions—city churches, mountain churches and mining missions. Only one-sixth of the church organizations are independent of the Board. A discouraging present but hopeful future characterizes much of the work.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.—Ps. cxxi : 2.

WED 11

Union Presbytery. Churches, 41; 22 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

"Place a Presbyterian school in each mountain county. It will supplement the common school, which, on the average, is in session only three months a year. It will educate the children religiously, as well as intellectually. It will lay a good foundation for a Presbyterian church."

This is the Father's will which hath sent me.—John vi : 39.

THU 12

In Florida the Board aids churches in two Presbyteries. Rev. Henry Keigwin, presbyterial missionary.

Called unto the fellowship of His son, Jesus Christ our Lord.—1 *Cor.* 1 : 9.

FRI 13

East Florida Presbytery. Churches, 19; 10 aided; under care of 5 ministers.

"The Presbytery of East Florida includes all the Presbyterian churches in the eastern part of the State. It is 400 miles long. Of our twenty churches three are for the colored people. One great problem that confronts us is country, instead of city, evangelization."

Fear not, for I have redeemed thee.—Isa. xliii : 1.

SAT 14

South Florida Presbytery. Churches, 20; 17 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

"The Lord has not left us without His tokens for good. Relying on Him we wait for the victory."

The Lord is my rock.—Ps. xviii : 2.

SUN 15

What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops.—Matt. x : 27.

Do thou for me, O God the Lord, for thy name's sake.—Ps. cix : 21.

MON 16

Synod of Montana. Charles F. Richardson, D.D., synodical missionary.

The needs in this Synod are great and imperative. The synodical missionary recently held a service at which some were present who lived sixty miles from a regular church service, and there were others who had not heard a sermon for nine years.

If God be for us, who can be against us ?—Rom. viii : 31.

TUE 17

Butte Presbytery. Churches, 14; 13 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

"Some of the serious difficulties of the work are gambling, absence of Sunday laws, Sunday work, and the spirit of lawlessness brought over from the frontier days of the past."

Hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.—I John ii : 3.

WED 18

Great Falls Presbytery. Churches, 14; 12 aided; under care of 9 ministers.

"This presbytery takes in the entire northern part of the State. It is 605 miles from east to west, and 160 miles from north to south. Such facts as these make clear not only the vast extent of the field, but also the isolation of some of the missionaries and the great sacrifices they must make."

Beloved, now are we the sons of God.—I John iii : 2.

THU 19

Helena Presbytery. Churches, 12; 10 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

This presbytery, in spite of discouragements of various sorts, has made progress, and is looking for better results in the near future.

In quietness and confidence shall be your strength.—Isa. xxx : 15.

FRI 20

Synod of California. Rev. G. W. Lyons and W. B. Noble, D.D., synodical missionaries.

The possession of the Philippines and the condition and outlook in China make the work west of the Rocky Mountains of far-reaching influence. In common with all the farther western States, there is a steady and rapid increase of population.

I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.—I Cor. ix : 22.

SAT 21

Benicia Presbytery. Churches, 34; 13 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

Northern California toward the coast is mountainous and has few railways, so that most of the fields in this presbytery are peculiarly isolated and inaccessible. Nowhere is the home missionary more necessary.

Lord, be thou my helper.—Ps. xxx : 10.

SUN 22

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.
—I John iv : 10–11.

MON 23

Los Angeles Presbytery. Churches, 62; 27 aided; under care of 20 ministers.

This presbytery has the largest number of churches and also the largest membership in the Synod. Six of the churches are making great strides toward self-support, and four new fields have asked for missionaries.

The Lord shall guide thee continually.—Isa. lviii : 11.

TUE 24

Oakland Presbytery. Churches, 26; 8 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

"In the work of home missions is a sacred opportunity. Let America consider and glory, not in commercialism or territorial expansion, but rather in the heritage which is ours through the devoted labor of the missionary, for herein lies her true greatness."

He hath shewed his people the power of his works.—Ps. cxi : 6.

WED 25

Sacramento Presbytery. Churches, 30; 18 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

"Our fields are so widely scattered that it is hard to maintain regular preaching and pastoral work without much aid from the Board. But the country is being opened up and settled, and prospects grow brighter as the wants of the people are more fully met."

I, the Lord thy God, will hold thy right hand.—Isa. xli : 13.

THU 26

San Francisco Presbytery. Churches, 16; 4 aided; under care of 4 ministers.

"Our presbytery covers the territory of this great, busy, growing seaport. Our anxiety is to secure both sound teaching and helpful, practical application of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. And the Lord is with us for good."

My words shall not pass away.—Mark xiii : 31.

FRI 27

San Jose Presbytery. Churches, 27; 13 aided; under care of 9 ministers.

The work has suffered from the drought, from emigration of Americans and the incoming of a foreign and for the most part a Catholic population.

Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us.—Ps. xc : 17.

SAT 28

Santa Barbara Presbytery. Churches, 18; 10 aided; under care of 6 ministers.

"A real home mission presbytery, big with promise in the future, but one that has suffered much owing to a succession of years of drought. Two fields have lately become self-supporting, and we have great hope for two others in the near future. Pray for us."

I will make . . . the dry land springs of water.—Isa. xli : 18.

SUN 29

"Our devout prayer is that this year may have as its supreme and crowning benediction the giving of the Holy Ghost to all the ministers and people of our Presbyterian household for the work of missions."—*John Dixon, D.D.*

He is a buckler to all those that trust in him.—Ps. xviii : 30.

MON 30

Stockton Presbytery. Churches, 22 : 12 aided ; under care of 8 ministers.

"Assets few : needs infinite."

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Jesus Christ. —Phil. iv : 19.

TUE 31

Synod of Oregon. W. S. Holt, D.D., synodical missionary: "The main feature of the work in Oregon for the past year has been our advance into 'unoccupied' territory. While we are trying to strengthen the churches already established, we are aiming to go into destitute parts of the State with the Gospel. There is 'much land yet to be possessed,' and we are well able to overcome it."

God is the strength of my heart.—Ps. lxxiii : 26.

APRIL

WED 1

East Oregon Presbytery. Churches, 24; 17 aided; under care of 12 ministers.

It has been a year of blessing to this presbytery. Two churches have reached self-support, and five others are well on the way.

God hath heard me.—Ps. lxvi : 19.

THU 2

Portland Presbytery. Churches, 28; 22 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

The difficulties in this field, which have existed for years and have seriously hindered substantial progress, have been to some extent removed and the outlook is more hopeful.

He knoweth them that trust in him.—Nahum i : 7.

FRI 3

Southern Oregon Presbytery. Churches, 16; 15 aided; under care of 10 ministers.

"A thoroughly home mission presbytery. There are but two self-sustaining churches within our bounds. Two new churches were organized last year. We need more men in order to care for the whole field properly."

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.—Isa. xl : 31.

SAT 4

Willamette Presbytery. Churches, 30; 25 aided; under care of 14 ministers.

The prospects of the work are promising and hopeful. Many people are settling in the immense lumber regions, and the Willamette Valley shows indications of speedily becoming one of the most populous sections on the Pacific Coast.

Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling.—II Tim. i : 9.

SUN 5

"The moving pictures of the world will be on the Western Coast. Hence the eminence of our Pacific States. . . . At last the struggle for commercial supremacy will be, not across the Atlantic, but the Pacific. And that coast, so set in the center of future things, is Christian only in name."—*C. L. T.*

Behold, God is mine helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.—Ps. liv : 4.

MON 6

Synod of Washington. D. O. Ghormley, D.D., synodical missionary.

The prospects for most of the fields were never more flattering. At no time in ten years has there been such a desire on the part of the ministers to push the work toward very much better conditions.

O give thanks unto the Lord.—Ps. cv : 1.

TUE 7

Central Washington Presbytery. Churches, 12; 8 aided; under care of 5 ministers.

This is the youngest of the presbyteries, work having been carried on for only the past six months. One new church was organized last year and more men are needed.

O Lord, thou art our Father . . . we are all the work of thy hand.—Isa. lxiv : 8.

WED 8

Olympia Presbytery. Churches, 32; 34 aided; under care of 24 ministers.

There are three Indian reservations within the bounds of the presbytery. It is to be hoped that some of these Indians may be trained to become missionaries to their own people. More workers are needed.

Preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.—Matt. x : 7.

THU 9

Puget Sound Presbytery. Churches, 36; 23 aided; under care of 23 ministers.

"Seattle, the principal city in Puget Sound Presbytery, is the gateway to the gold fields of Alaska, and to China and Japan.

"Pray that the Presbyterian Church may be a shining light to all who pass this way."

A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.—Matt. v : 14.

FRI 10

Spokane Presbytery. Churches, 30; 24 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

"Pray that we may have a much-needed missionary of Christ-like life for the Spokane tribe: consecrated laborers who are willing to endure privations on hard fields for Jesus' sake, more loyalty to Christ, and a refreshing from on high."

The Lord upholdeth him with his hand.—Ps. xxxvii : 24.

SAT 11

Walla Walla Presbytery. Churches, 21; 22 aided; under care of 18 ministers.

The country is becoming more settled and prosperous: immigration is pouring in and our communities are growing. This is encouraging, as it indicates larger opportunities in all the fields.

The Lord delighteth in thee.—Isa. lxii : 4.

EASTER

SUN 12

Grant, O merciful God, that in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ we may in very deed have our portion for His sake. *Amen.*

Jesus met them saying, All hail.—Matt. xxviii : 9.

"The real Easter is the power of Christ's resurrection that raises our spirits to heavenly places and fills our lives on earth with the joy and peace, the victory and love of the spirit of the risen Christ."—*M. D. Babcock, D.D.*

MON 13

Concord, N. C. (Scotia Seminary.) Miss M. C. Bell, Miss M. L. Barnes, Mrs. M. E. Fister, Miss E. Chapman, Miss A. O. Percival.

The people that do know their God shall be strong.—Dan. xi : 32.

"The Christian feature of this school is unsurpassed. The education is symmetrical. Whatever contributes to the comfort of home life, to decorum in society, to usefulness in any department of Christian service, receives attention."—*Rev. R. F. Sample, D.D.*

TUE 14

Crockett, Texas. (Mary Allen Seminary.) Rev. J. B. Smith, Mrs. Smith, Miss E. R. Ferguson, Miss S. A. Miller, Miss M. J. Harper, Miss Ida B. Cheny, Miss Nettie C. Gailey.

"For we know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

God's blessing has rested signally upon this school from the day of its inception in the heart and brain of Mrs. Allen. Hundreds of lives have been moulded by its teachings and have been devoted to the elevation and betterment of the negro race.

WED 15

Burkeville, Va. (Ingleside Seminary.) Mrs. G. C. Campbell, Miss M. L. Robinson, Miss Anna M. Ralston, Miss Edith M. Davis.

"Our help is in the Lord who made heaven and earth."

THU 16

West Point, Miss. (Mary Holmes Seminary.) Mrs. H. N. Payne, Misses Susan Johnson, N. Dobbins, M. A. Robinson, M. E. Mateer, Catharine Johnson, E. H. Shirey, C. B. Hamilton, A. M. True, J. L. Webb.

"Open your life as you open your windows, and let God shine in upon all that you are purposing, and deciding, and thinking."—*Chas. Cuthbert Hall.*

"For the first time in the history of the school its capacity has been tested to the utmost. Special religious services have been held which have been productive of blessed spiritual results."—*H. N. Payne.*

FRI 17

Anniston, Ala. (Barber Memorial Seminary.) Rev. S. M. Davis, Mrs. McClain, Miss Esther McPherson, Miss N. C. Francis, Miss A. F. Ewalt.

Lord, I would be
Through toil and rest drawn ever nearer Thee;
In passing days
Live on Thy bounty, and with happy praise
Out of a true heart's gratitude
Confess Thy mercy's good.

"It is generally admitted that the shortest, surest way to secure the elevation of a race is to train up a pure, strong womanhood. This is the objective end of the school."

SAT 18

Chester, S. C. (Brainerd Institute.) Mrs. J. L. Marquis, Miss J. A. Schauble, Miss M. H. Moore, Miss A. M. Donaldson.

"Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man."

"The acquisition of Bible knowledge and practical Christian living, together with the mental training, is the daily curriculum here."

SUN 19

Our Father, we pray Thee that Thy tender care may be over all these Thy servants, the beloved teachers in our seminaries. May they have a constant sense of Thy nearness to them. May they be filled with the joy of service. Help them to adorn the Gospel of their Lord by their lives, and may many be turned to righteousness through their faithful efforts. *Amen.*

MON 20

Abbeville, S. C. (Harbison College.) Mrs. T. H. Amos, Mrs. C. B. Johnson, Mrs. T. J. Smith, Mr. C. W. Jones.

"I know that whatsoever God doeth, it shall be forever."

"And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge."

"The aim of this school is to sustain a quality of education that will stimulate the moral and religious development of colored youth, and that will be of practical benefit to them when they go out into the world which is waiting for them."

TUE 21

Augusta, Ga. (Haines Normal and Industrial.) Miss L. C. Laney, Miss M. C. Jackson, Miss S. V. Maxwell, Miss C. E. Bryde, Miss M. F. Childs, Mrs. S. Winkler.

"A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her works praise her in the gates."

The work is most interesting, peculiarly so, because it is a practical demonstration of the great end and aim of all mission work. The school is entirely the work of negro instructors from its very inception. The founder and teachers are all the product of missionary schools. "Haines Industrial and Normal" is a monument to the devotion, energy and dauntless zeal of a negro woman for the uplifting of "my beloved people," as she calls her people, and many will rise up and call her blessed.

WED 22

Rogersville, Tenn. (Swift Memorial Institute.) Mrs. W. H. Franklin, Miss M. L. Turner.

"But some seed fell into good ground and brought forth fruit; some an hundred-fold, some sixty-fold and some thirty-fold."

"Who hath ears to hear let him hear."

This school has saved many girls and boys from a sinful life, some of whom are living in the community respected and self-respecting.

THU 23

Oxford, N. C. (Mary Potter Memorial.) Mrs. G. C. Shaw, Mrs. M. B. Sullivan, Miss M. E. Tucker, Miss M. A. Dent.

The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee, in all that thou settest thine hand unto. —Deut. xxviii : 8.

It is to educate and uplift the young men and women of the negro race that this co-educational boarding-school was founded, and is sustained.

FRI 24

Clear Creek, I. T. (Oak Hill Institute.) Mrs. J. B. Crowe, Miss Carrie E. Crowe, Miss Lillie Lee.

"Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows."

"The wilderness and the solitary places shall be glad for them, and the desert shall blossom as the rose."

These Choctaw negroes are ours now to do with as we *will*. The time is near when this country will be thrown open to white settlers: the hordes—both white and black—will pour in and our opportunity will be gone, unless we seize it now. We have had this year the clearest evidence of God's approval of the work.

SAT 25

Monticello, Ark. (Monticello Academy.) Mrs. C. S. Mebane, Miss B. H. McCorkle, Miss S. A. Gilchrist, Miss Christina Allen.

"And ye shall be witnesses of me"—in all Judea and in Samaria.

Cotton Plant, Ark. (Cotton Plant Academy.) Mrs. F. C. Potter, Miss E. A. Brockman, Miss J. E. Holmes, Miss M. L. Harris, Miss Sarah S. Smith.

"He that goeth forth weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless return again bringing his sheaves with him."

SUN 26

We beseech Thee, our Father, for a special blessing upon these co-educational schools. May every boy and girl who has had the Christian training that they are designed to give, go forth to their life-work, strong in the Lord and in the power of His might, willing to spend and be spent in His service for the Redeemer's sake. *Amen.*

MON 27

Sumter, S. C. (J. B. Kendall School.) Rev. J. C. Watkins, Mrs. J. C. Watkins, Miss E. A. Van Buren, Mrs. F. E. Meyers, Mr. F. K. Butler.

The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.—Num. vi : 25, 26.

Danville, Va. (Danville High School.) Mrs. W. E. Carr, Miss R. E. Brock, Miss Mary H. Holbrock.

"The Lord is thy keeper. The Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand."

TUE 28

Nottoway, Va. (Parochial Schools.) Miss Luella Thompson.
Chula, Va. Miss Lucy B. Williams.
Ridgeway, Va. Mrs. S. J. Dillard.

"And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently to my commandments, and shall teach them to thy children ye shall dwell in the land which the Lord your God giveth you."

WED 29

Horse Pasture, Va. Miss N. E. Cheny.
Newport News, Va. Mrs. M. W. H. Ridley.
Lynchburg, Va. Mrs. J. R. Barrett.

Why did Christ take up the cross? Not for affliction's sake, or for the cross's sake, as if suffering were a good thing in itself. No. But that He might thereby *do good*. That the world through Him might be saved. That He might do good at whatever cost or pain to Himself.

THU 30

Cub Creek, Va. Miss Mary B. Lewis.
Martinsville, Va. Mrs. E. W. Coberth.

"One holy church, one army strong, one steadfast high intent, one working band, one harvest song, one king omnipotent."—*S. Johnson.*

MAY

FRI 1

Asheville, N. C. Mr. C. B. Dusenbury.
Louisburg, N. C. Mr. J. T. Fuller, Mrs. Susan Green.
Hookerton, N. C. Rev. J. H. Hayswood.

"Jesus spake unto them, saying, I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

SAT 2

Pollocksville, N. C. Mrs. H. A. Murrell.
Slatersville, N. C. Miss Fannie Bryant.
Rockingham, N. C. Mrs. J. H. Clement.

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined."

"If we are to be a strong nation, ready to be used as God's instruments in waking the sleeping nations of the earth to a higher and Christian civilization, we need to speedily find a remedy for every plague-spot in our own national life. The ministry of Christian love is the supreme remedy at hand, and if we forget class and race and color, in the exercise of this sure and certain cure, wrongs will be righted, and righteousness and truth will reign in the homeland."—*F. D. Palmer.*

SUN 3

O Thou who art love and dwellest in love, make us organs of Thy tender mercy to soothe the wretched, to lift the penitent, to seek and to save the lost, till all shall at length know themselves Thy children and be one with each other and with Thee. *Amen.*

MON 4

Graham, N. C. (Parochial School.) Mrs. S. L. Young.
Salisbury, N. C. Miss E. J. Bryant.
Winston, N. C. Miss R. B. Long, Mrs. W. J. Rankin.

"Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones, for I say unto you their angels do always behold the face of your Father which is in heaven."

TUE 5

Aberdeen, N. C. Mrs. W. H. Byrd.
Eutawville, S. C. Mrs. R. W. Holman, Miss R. A. Holman.
Ravenels, S. C. Mr. S. F. Jackson.

He that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.—Isa. xlix : 10.

WED 6

Maysville, S. C. Mrs. I. D. Davis, Miss Sara Davis.
Sumter, S. C. Rev. M. J. Seabrook, Mrs. Seabrook.
McConnellsville, S. C. Mrs. A. A. Jones.
Darlington, S. C. Mrs. A. J. Jefferson.

Strong in faith, giving glory to God, being fully persuaded that what he has promised he is able also to perform.—Rom. iv : 20, 21.

THU 7

Newman, Ga. Mrs. B. L. Glenn.
Savannah, Ga. Miss J. W. Roberts, Miss Alberta Scott.

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over.—Luke vi : 38.

FRI 8

Calhoun Falls, S. C. Mrs. L. D. Leak.
Spartanburg, S. C. Mrs. H. M. Stimson.
Troy, S. C. Mrs. W. P. Woolridge.

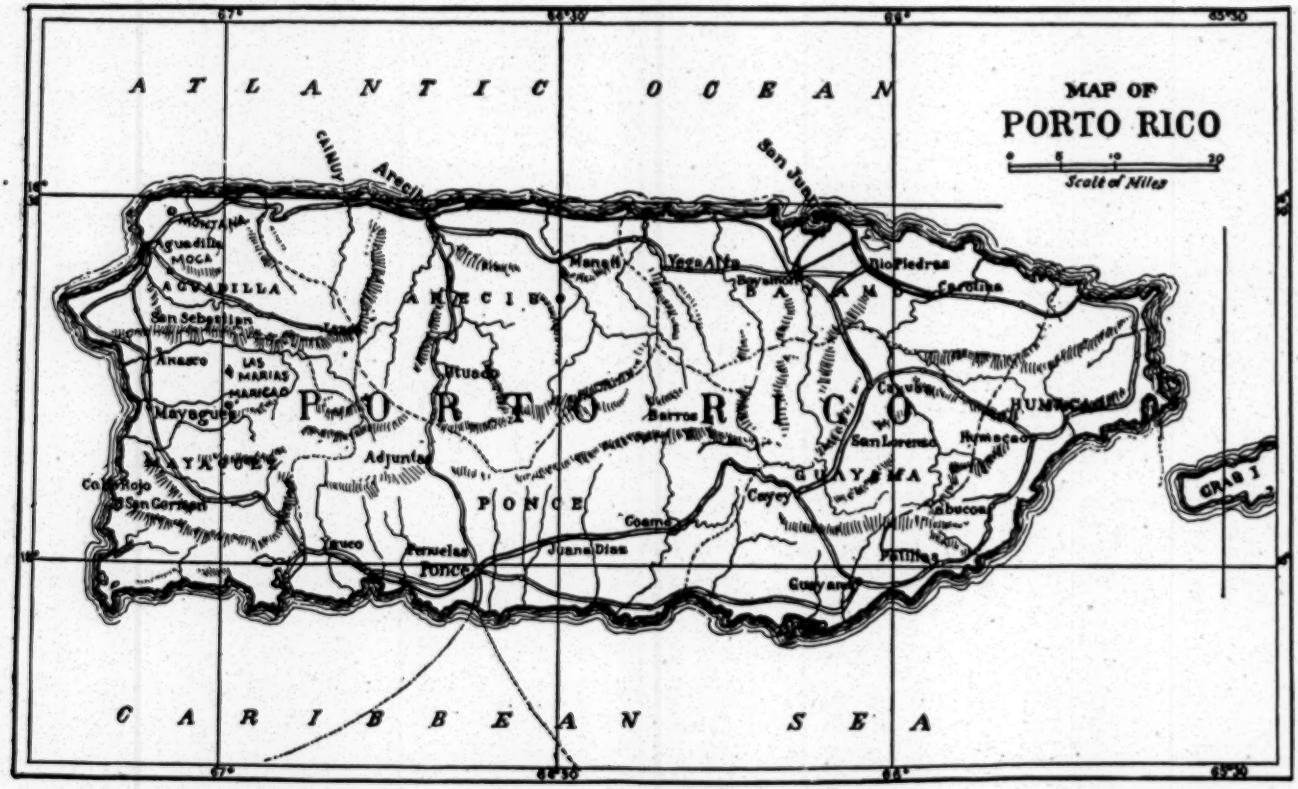
"Teach me to take
My joy in others' joy, for Thy dear sake
Whose life I share;
To keep a merry heart in spite of care.
So, by Thy presence, let there be
Light for the world through me."

SAT 9

Frogville, I. T. Rev. J. H. Sleeper.
Grant, I. T. Miss B. L. Ahrens.
Danville, Ky. Mrs. J. A. Bayden.
Louisville, Tenn. Miss O. B. Warren.

"They who tread the path of labor, follow where my feet have trod;
They who work without complaining do the holy work of God."
—*Dr. van Dyke.*

"Among the men and women standing as ministers and teachers to-day in church and school, many testify that it was in the 'little parochial' their awakening began. They are like the little creeks and rivulets that feed the broad river, for from these our seminaries and co-educational boarding-schools are largely fed."



Smallest and most easterly of the West India Islands. Length, 100 miles; approximate area, 3,600 miles; 2,743 square miles devoted to agricultural interests; commercial interests increasingly important; eight ministers and as many teachers at work in the various stations.

SUN 10 **Porto Rico—Its Problems.**

Arise, O God, plead thine own cause.—Ps. lxxiv : 22.

Arise, O God, judge the earth; for thou shalt inherit all nations.—Ps. lxxxii : 8.

MON 11 **Aguadilla, Porto Rico.** Miss Annie T. Aitken, Miss Sarah Potter, teachers; Doña Adela Sousa, missionary.

To each one is given the manifestation of the spirit to profit withal. For to one is given through the spirit the word of wisdom; and to another the word of knowledge according to the same spirit, and to another faith in the same spirit . . . and all these worketh the one and the same spirit.—I Cor. xii : 8, 9, 11.

Are we going to strike while the iron is hot in Porto Rico, or wait until the people have got wearied and are cold and indifferent before we wake up to our responsibilities and glorious privileges?

TUE 12 **Mayaguez.** Miss Jennie T. Ordway, principal; Miss Margaret Weyer, Miss Mary L. Wilson, Miss Anna Monefeldt, teachers.

La Playa. Miss M. D. Tompkins, teacher.

"I will trust in Him,
That He can hold His own; and I will take *His will*
Above the work He sendeth me, to be my chiefest good."

"There is no provision whatever for the homeless, motherless waifs on the island. Every day our hearts are burdened with the sight of so much misery. Homes are needed where these children, whom no one wants, and for whom no one cares, can be cared for, and given an opportunity to become respectable, and true men and women."

WED 13 **San Juan.** Miss Grace W. Atkins, M.D., Miss Jane H. Harris, M.D., medical missionaries.

And ye have an anointing from the Holy One: . . . And as for you, the anointing which ye received of him abideth in you; . . . but as his anointing teacheth you concerning all things, and is true and is no lie, and even as it taught you, ye shall abide in him.—I John ii : 20–27.

Teaching and healing go hand in hand in their truest sense as our medical missionary in Porto Rico unfolds the Word of Life at the same time that she dispenses medicines for the healing of the body.

THU 14 **San Juan.** (La Marina.) Miss Katherine Walsh, Miss Martha Hitchcock, teachers.

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him.—Ps. xxxvii : 7.

And the Lord shall help them.—Ps. xxxvii : 40.

"My heart aches for these people; they are winning and kind. Whenever I have visited them and spoken to them of Christ and His love for them, they have always listened earnestly."

FRI 15 **Havana, Cuba.** Miss Mabel K. Bristow, teacher.

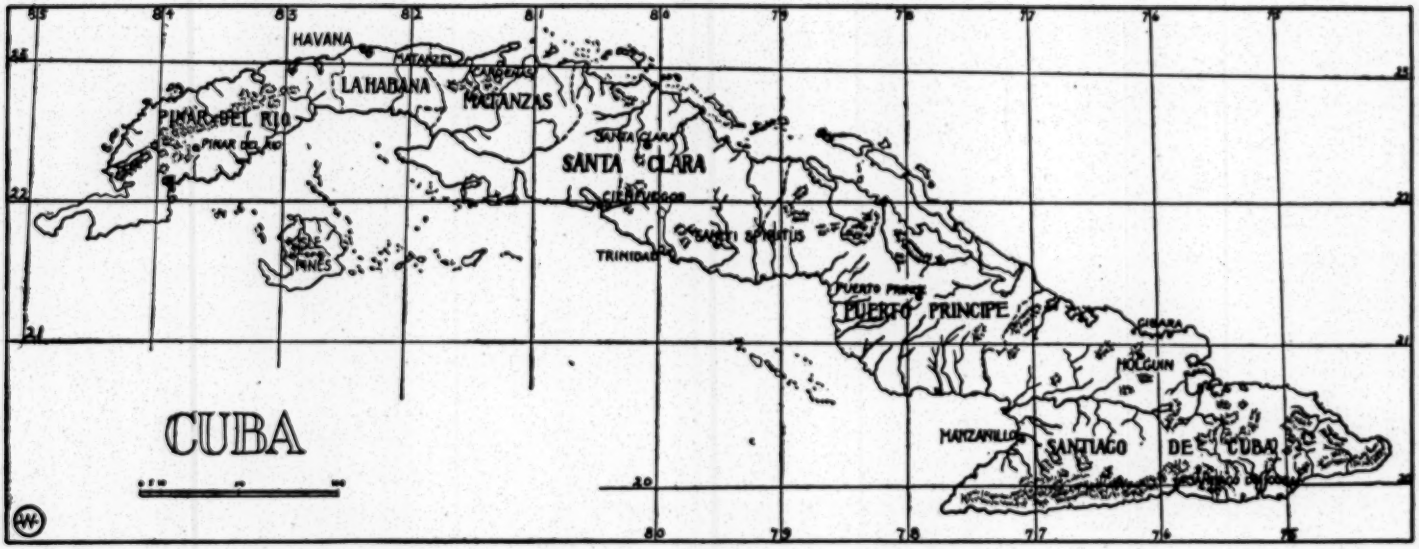
Surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him.—Eccl. viii : 12.

Industrial schools in connection with the mission schools would do a great deal of good, since skilled labor is lacking here, and the thrift and economy which pupils would learn in such a school would be a great thing for the bettering of the conditions of the people. A philanthropy which would help them to help themselves would be best for them.

SAT 16 **Speakers.** Miss Lydia A. Hays, Miss Serena Neilson.

And the Lord shall guide them continually.—Isa. lviii : 11.

"As ye go, preach." In vain the going, though it be with the banners of great civic principles, and with the tread of national legions,—vain at least so far as the highest good of the community is concerned,—even for the life that now is, unless Christianity points the line of march and by the potency of its message directs that going to those ends which alone secure national permanence and individual happiness.



Cuba is the most populous of the West India Islands.

Population in 1774 (first census), 171,620.

Population in 1899 (last census), 1,572,797.

Presbyterian Home Mission Board began work September, 1901.

General Superintendent of Presbyterian Missions, Rev. J. Milton Greene, D.D.

Stations occupied—Havana, the capital; Guines, Sancti Spiritus.

Mission Schools—Havana, Guines and Santiago Province.

SUN 17

Be of good cheer : I have overcome the world.—John xvi : 33.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice.—Ps. xxvii : 7.

MON 18

Prayer for our home missionaries at General Assembly.

"That goal for the Church of Christ is nothing less than the subjection of all things to Him, 'the gathering together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth.' This is God's eternal plan, and, in spite of all seeming delays and interruptions, nothing can prevent its glorious consummation."

He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.—Matt. x : 39.

Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters.—Isa. xxxii : 20.

TUE 19

Home Mission Day at the General Assembly.

"Will not the Church during the coming year come forward so strongly in her contributions that there may be still further advance in appropriations? How rapid shall be the advance we leave it now for the Church to say."

That I may plant the heavens and lay the foundations of the earth.—Isa. li : 16.

WED 20

San Juan. Rev. Robert McLean and Rev. H. T. Jason.

The people are eager to hear and understand the Gospel. They are tired of the emptiness of the forms of the Spanish Church and receive the ministrations of our missionaries gladly.

The ears of them that hear shall hearken.—Isa. xxxii : 3.

THU 21

Mayaguez. Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Caldwell, D.D., and Rev. Jos. W. Jarvis.

The great need of Mayaguez is a church building. We cannot hope to meet our responsibilities to 20,000 people unless we have better quarters for religious services than at present.

It shall be well with thee.—Ps. cxxviii : 2.

Aguadilla. Rev. and Mrs. Judson L. Underwood and José Antonio Lopez (native).

Thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works.—Ps. xcii : 4.

FRI 22

Prayer for Annual Meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

"Let us year by year seek to grow into the fuller realization of our solemn responsibilities to the great Head of the Church and into a more joyful recognition of the high privilege granted to us, of being co-workers with Him. What else will make life appear to have been noble and well worth living when the Master comes to take account of His servants and inquire to what use each one has put the talents with which he has been intrusted?"

Behold thy servants are ready to do whatsoever my Lord the King shall appoint.—II Sam. xv : 15.

SAT 23

San German. Rev. and Mrs. James Greer Woods.

This is the day of opportunity in Porto Rico. Let our Church do on the island what some of our big home cities are doing—wage an evangelistic campaign.

His tender mercies are over all his works.—Ps. cxlv : 9.

SUN 24

"The crash of our guns, shotted to deliver Cuba from intolerable oppression, did more than that for which they were sighted. They broke open gates of darkness on whose hinges was the rust of centuries."—*C. L. T.*

O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes.—Ps. cxix : 5.

MON 25

Isabella and Quebradillas. Rev. and Mrs. Jas. A. McAllister.

These two towns, on the northwestern coast of the island, are a center of fanaticism; but in spite of this fact, 275 people were present at the first service held.

And taught them how they should fear the Lord.—II Kings xvii : 28.

TUE 26

Cuba in her new governmental positions needs our special prayers. Taking her place among the nations of the earth with the new responsibilities which have come to her, she needs the special sympathy of all our Christian people.

He is our help and our shield—Ps. xxxiii : 20.

WED 27

Havana, Cuba. Rev. and Mrs. J. Milton Greene, D.D., assisted by Rev. Antonio Mazzorana.

These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.—Acts xvi : 17.

THU 28

Guines. Rev. and Mrs. A. Waldo Stevenson. This field, about thirty-five miles from Havana, has been newly occupied and proves a very encouraging one. The missionaries have been received most cordially, and preach to large and eager audiences.

O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me.—Ps. xliii : 3.

FRI 29

Sancti Spiritus. Rev. and Mrs. Herbert S. Harris.

This promising field has a population of over 20,000. It is, and has always been, a center of wealth and social influence. The effect of the work done here will be felt all over the island.

This commandment have we from him, that he who loveth God love his brother also —I John iv : 21.

SAT 30

Cuban Outstations. To the ministrations of our missionaries the Cubans were as responsive as the Porto Ricans. From the first the doors were thrown wide for the entrance of the bearers of God's message.

Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? . . . He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.—Isa. xl : 28, 29.

SUN 31

"As ships meet at sea,—a moment together, when words of greeting must be spoken, and then away upon the deep,—so men meet in this world: and I think we should cross no man's path without hailing him, and, if he needs, giving him supplies."—*Henry Ward Beecher.*

The word of our God shall stand for ever.—Isa. xl : 8.

JUNE

MON 1

Presbytery of Alaska. "Alaska is growing in importance, both in its relation to our country and as a mission field for our Church. There has never been a year when larger results have been gathered from the native work than during that which has just closed."

We trust in the living God.—I Tim. iv : 10.

TUE 2

Presbytery of the Yukon. Pray for our missionaries who are "giving the gospel to the tempted and exposed men who, coming from Christian communities in the States to these rough regions, full of peril to body and soul, need the kindly presence, help and message of the ambassadors of Christ."

He giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.—I Cor. xv : 57.

WED 3

Alaska Missionaries on Furlough. Rev. and Mrs. Norman B. Harrison, Skagway; Rev. and Mrs. James Wollaston Kirk, Eagle. From the severe tension of a rapidly growing city, from the utter solitude of a station in interior Alaska, these workers have come to the States for fresh inspiration and strength.

To give light to them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death. Luke i: 79.

THU 4

Teller. Rev. Herman M. Hosack went from Aspinwall, his pastorrate in western Pennyslvania, to this field which had hitherto been cared for by a layman physician, and for which no missionary pastor had been secured during more than a year of search. The work is formative and important.

I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.—Heb. xiii : 5.

FRI 5

Eagle. Missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Charles F. Ensign.

"What with the terrible winters, with the constant fluctuation of population, with the ungodliness of the wicked and the indifference of those who in the States had been Christians, our missionaries have had a hard time, and have met it with fortitude and faith.

Surely blessing I will bless thee.—Heb. vi : 14.

SAT 6

Rev. M. Egbert Koonce, Ph.D. Dr. Koonce continues his work in the mining camps—going here and there and winning the confidence of the men everywhere. When he started on his long journey to the Assembly last year the men begged him to return, thus showing their appreciation of his work.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous.—I Peter iii : 12.

SUN 7

"O blessed Lord, who hast commanded us to love one another, grant us grace that, having received Thine undeserved bounty, we may love every one in Thee and for Thee. *Amen.*

MON 8

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D., presbyterial missionary.

I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand and will keep thee, and give thee a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles.
To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.—Isa. xlii : 67.

TUE 9

Chilcat. (Haines P. O.) Mr. A. R. Mackintosh, missionary.

Thy word is true from the beginning . . . let thine hand keep me; for I have chosen thy precepts.—Ps. cxix : 160, 173.

Haines. (Industrial Home.) Mrs. M. F. Schuknecht, matron.

But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me.—II Tim. iv : 17.

This little boarding home is to be reopened September 1.

WED 10

Fort Wrangel. Rev. Harry P. Corser, missionary.

Then said Jesus unto them, My time is not yet come, but your time is always ready.
—John vii : 6.

"Our special need at Fort Wrangel is that God will pour out His spirit on the white people in Fort Wrangel, and so, while our friends are helping us with their money, they will not forget to pray for that without which their money will be of no avail."

THU 11

Hoonah. Rev. and Mrs. Wm. M. Carle; Mr. Willis Hammond (native), interpreter.

I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people.—Isa. xxix : 14.

None but God knows the temptations as well as the torments from their friends which must be endured by those who turn from old customs.

FRI 12

Hydah. Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Montgomery; Mr. S. Davis (native), interpreter.

I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have which are not of this fold: them also will I bring, and they shall hear my voice.—John x : 16.

"The Hydahs occupy the southern part of Prince of Wales Island. They are a large, light-complexioned, well-formed, hardy race, and were formerly a most warlike people. A mission was established and a school opened in 1881.

SAT 13

Juneau. Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Condit (white church), Rev. F. L. Jones (native church).

"In God's world for those who are in earnest there is no failure. No work truly done, no word earnestly spoken, no sacrifice freely made, was ever made in vain."
—*F. W. Robertson.*

"Juneau deserves the constant help and sympathy of the Presbyterian Church in a peculiar degree. Perhaps a larger native population can be reached by our mission at Juneau than anywhere else in Alaska."—*S. H. Long.*

Douglas Island. Mr. Fred L. Moore (native), missionary.

The Lord shall be thy confidence.—Prov. iii : 26.

SUN 14

Help us to be as Christ to others, that they may see something of His love in our lives, and learn to love Him in us. *Amen.*

"Why they have never known the way before,
Why hundreds stand outside Thy mercy's door,
I know not; but I ask, dear Lord, that Thou
Wouldst lead them now."

MON 15

Klawock. Rev. and Mrs. David Waggoner.

Klukwan. Rev. and Mrs. Fred Falconer.

Now, whenever God calls a man to a special work He empowers him for that work. God never will send you to warfare at your own charges.

I will show thee what thou shalt do.—I Sam. xvi : 3.

TUE 16

Point Barrow. Rev. H. R. Marsh, M.D., medical missionary; Mrs. H. R. Marsh, missionary; Mr. P. Koonooya (native), interpreter.

It is God that girdeth me with strength and maketh my way perfect.—Ps. cxviii : 32.

The most isolated and most northerly mission in the world, with the possible exception of Nova Zembla and Upernavik, Greenland. The inhabitants, occupying three villages and numbering about 1,000 souls, are Inuits or Eskimos. Their religion is paganism—and in practice, devil-worship.

WED 17

Point Barrow. Rev. S. R. Spriggs, government teacher; Mrs. Spriggs, missionary.

"Let us not be easily content. The note of heroism should be in our battles with sin, in our speaking, in our giving, in our serving."—*M. D. Babcock.*

THU 18

St. Lawrence Island. Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Campbell.

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.—Ps. cxxxix : 9, 10.

"In the School-house Farthest West." Cut off from all communication with the outside world the largest part of each year, yet ever in the Father's care.

FRI 19

Saxman. Rev. and Mrs. Edward Marsden (native).

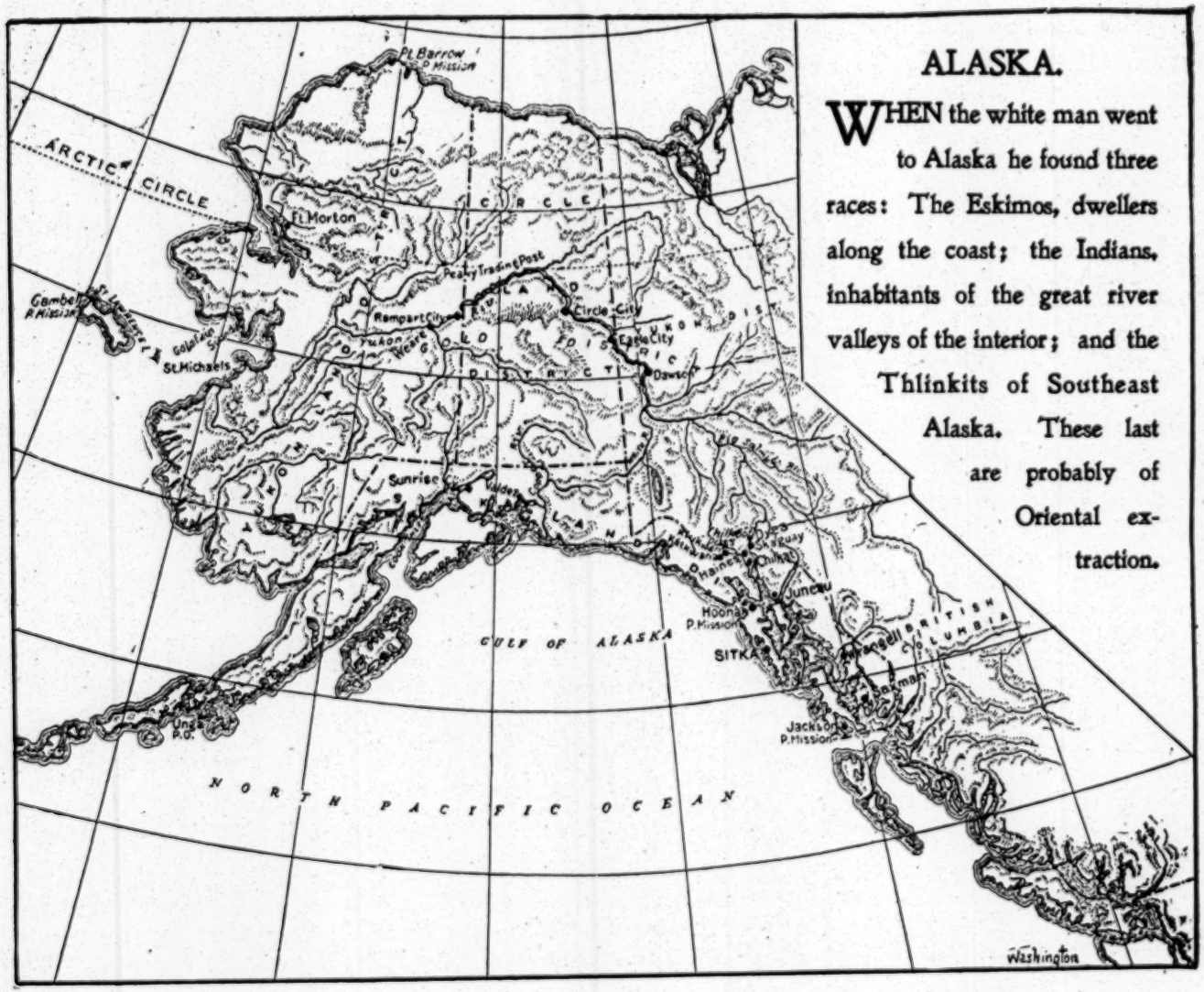
I have put my words in thy mouth, and have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand. —Isa. li : 16.

"Although the work has its obstacles, discouragements and dark side, we will pass this by, for we are so glad to report that the light of God has really entered into the hearts of these people. They are awakened, and the word of God is searched earnestly and carefully studied."

SAT 20

Skagway. (Self-supporting.) Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D., general missionary in Alaska.

"Let the odds be against us, and obstacles seem insurmountable, we have but to include the Almighty in faith, and ourselves in fidelity, and let God draw conclusions—'He shall not fail nor be discouraged'—is the divine intention concerning every soul trustful and true."



ALASKA.

WHEN the white man went to Alaska he found three races: The Eskimos, dwellers along the coast; the Indians, inhabitants of the great river valleys of the interior; and the Thlinkits of Southeast Alaska. These last are probably of Oriental extraction.

SUN 21

"That it may please Thee to strengthen such as do stand, and to comfort and help the weak-hearted, and to raise up those who fall, and to beat down Satan under our feet."—*The Litany.*

MON 22

Sitka Mission. Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Bannerman; Mrs. M. K. Paul, native interpreter.

I say unto you, Every one that hath left houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and shall inherit eternal life.—Matt. xix : 28, 29.

"One cannot be in the Sitka school long without seeing that it stands for a very different purpose than mere education and civilization; it aims to lead souls to Christ, and by training to assist them in the struggle to live for Him."

TUE 23

Sitka Training School. Mr. Wm. A. Kelly, superintendent.

"It is the power of a loving as well as a living faith which rejoices and is glad to believe that, if the corn of wheat die, it bringeth forth much fruit, and that, if a man follow the Master, 'where the Master is there shall the servant be.'"

WED 24

Miss Susan Davis, boys' matron; Miss S. Martindale, girls' matron.

For doing good
To whom I could,
Thy name, O God, I praise;
For doing right
In Jesus' sight
Through all these busy days.

THU 25

Miss Frances H. Willard (native), Miss Anna M. Sheets, Miss Lucile Owen, assistant matrons.

Anything done for Christ is great, and it will be sure to bring a great reward. So the smallest gift you bestow, the humblest work you do, the feeblest talent you employ in the service of Christ, is made excellent and glorious by the infinite greatness and glory of Him whom you serve.

FRI 26

Mr. J. E. Gambell, industrial teacher; Mr. Howard George (native); Mr. Geo J. Beck, Mr. J. T. La Tourrette, industrial teachers.

He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.—Prov. xxii : 11.

Whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus.—Col. iii : 17.

SAT 27

Mrs. Ella C. Heizer, Miss Mary Langabear, teachers.

"Duty is the one seed that has such life in it that it can lie as long as God will in the mummy hand of death, and yet be ready any moment to start into new growth in the new soil where He shall set it."—*Bishop Brooks.*

SUN 28 O Lord, may we at all times hear and obey Thy voice, which saith to every one of us "This is the way; walk ye in it." When Thou puttest us forth, go before us; when the way is too great for us, carry us; in the darkness of death, comfort us; in the day of resurrection, satisfy us. *Amen.*

MON 29 **Sitka Hospital.** Miss Nellie F. Shulean, M.D.; Miss Esther Gibson, nurse.

I work a work in your days, which ye will not believe though it be told you.—Hab. 1 : 5.
And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up.—Jas. v : 15.
"The training-school and the hospital are accomplishing a wonderful work towards the regeneration, education and elevation of the native Alaskans."

TUE 30 Let us pray that "as Christians and missionaries we may appreciate the tremendous odds against which the work in Alaska must be carried on, and the gigantic evils which are to be met in the attempt to save this people."

JULY REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Whenever we make a grateful review, let it mean instant commitment to a better future. Every attainment is to be a footing for new attempts, and every goal a point of departure. "A man's reach should exceed his grasp, or what's a heaven for?"—*M. D. Babcock.*

WED 1 Thank God that the past year has been one of great blessing in Alaska, though there have been many things to perplex the missionaries. Thank God for the conversions among the most noted natives and for the forty from the Sitka school alone who have learned the name of Christ.

Thank God for the encouragements on the Indian field—for the deepening interest among the native Christians in the condition of the heathen tribes, and for the large contributions in money, which have enabled a number of native missionaries to be sent to the surrounding tribes to preach the Gospel.

THU 2 Thank God that our Mexican fellow-citizens are waking up to the fact that progress is the order of the day. Thank God for the intellectual and spiritual revival among this people. "There is not a plaza in all New Mexico that would not gladly welcome the teacher and the school."

Thank God that, although the work moves slowly among the Mormons, and there is so much to discourage, yet there is progress. "May the day be hastened when God will bring about a mighty awakening in Utah, and get glory to Himself in the salvation of hosts of these people so blinded by the fatal errors of Mormonism."

FRI 3 Thank God for the responsiveness of the people in the mountains of the Southland. "The work could be enlarged almost indefinitely, and each new point would become at once a center of influence for good and for God. The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few." Thank God for new evidences of His approval upon the efforts put forth during the past year in behalf of the Freedmen's cause. Thank God for the hearty co-operation of all the synodical and presbyterial officers. "Let us gird ourselves for more valiant service, hastening the coming of the Lord to the waiting millions."

SAT 4 Thank God for the success that has attended the work among the foreign populations in the five schools in Chicago, in the one mission among the Bohemians of Minnesota, and let us pray for His blessing on the new mission in Pennsylvania among the miners.

Thank God for the growth of interest during the year in the work in Porto Rico, and pray that God will bless the new work started in Cuba. "Appeals most urgent come from these islands—they seem like the cries of the despairing aroused again to hope by what they hear and see. Shall these hopes be blasted, or will the Church hear and respond to the call?"

On each field sacrifices have been cheerfully made; perils and dangers to life and health have been bravely met and faithful service joyously rendered, and, praise God! victories won and souls saved.

SUN 5

"Let us pray for a new birth, not as one experience, but as the perpetual experience of our lives: for such nearness to our God that every day He shall give us something more of Himself, be something more to us."—*Phillips Brooks.*

For we are made partakers of Christ.—Heb. iii : 14.

MON 6

Praise for the faithfulness of missionaries at the front and church workers at home.

Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.—Rev. xxii : 14.

TUE 7

Boston Presbytery. Churches, 40; 12 aided; under care of 12 ministers.

"Notwithstanding difficulties, considerable progress has been made during the past year, and by patient and persistent continuance in well doing success is assured. For this we pray and labor, and we rejoice that our labor is not in vain in the Lord."

And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.—I Cor. iii : 23.

WED 8

Synod of North Dakota. Andrew Christy Brown, D. D., synodical missionary.

The synodical missionary gives an encouraging report of work done in the Synod of North Dakota. He writes of great spiritual interest and ingathering all over the State.

Trust ye in the Lord for ever.—Isa. xxvi : 4.

THU 9

Bismarck Presbytery. Churches, 12; 10 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

"Our work has many difficulties, but prospects are brightening. Our fields are large and the membership weak. We need more loyal men who are not afraid of hardships; we need the prayers and sympathy of the Church."

God is our refuge and strength.—Ps. xlvi : 1.

FRI 10

Fargo Presbytery. Churches, 31; 23 aided; under care of 14 ministers.

"A field white unto the harvest. We need more money and more reapers to garner it. New towns are springing up and are pleading for the Gospel. Pray that we may be able to respond and help, that the Church deny not the coveted message."

Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest.—Luke x : 2.

SAT 11

Minnewaukon Presbytery. Churches, 24; 21 aided; under care of 22 ministers.

"The missionary is the maker of the West. Upon us rests the responsibility of twenty-five thousand square miles. Our present force is sufficient to work the half of it and pre-empt the rest. The future is ours. God reigns."

I will not let thee go except thou bless me.—Gen. xxxii : 26.

SUN 12

"Come, then, my Christian brethren; let us advance boldly. Courage! for Christ is with us. He does not only lead us on, but will enable us to follow. Beloved, the King and Captain of our Salvation marches at the head, ready to fight our battles."—*Thomas à Kempis.*

The Lord your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you.—Deut. 1 : 30.

MON 13

Pembina Presbytery. Churches, 48; 42 aided; under care of 23 ministers.

Last year's crops were good and many who were struggling are now encouraged and able to meet their obligations. A larger number of new settlers is expected this year than any year since the State was opened.

The Lord delighteth in thee.—Isa. xlii : 4.

TUE 14

Synod of South Dakota. H. P. Carson, D.D., synodical missionary. In the Synod as a whole, steady and substantial growth is reported. The crying need is for an increase in the evangelistic work and more ministers who can adapt their methods to the present needs.

I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.—John v : 30.

WED 15

Aberdeen Presbytery. Churches, 27; 21 aided; under care of 14 ministers.

The newness of the field and the unsettled conditions result in a number of the fields being unmanned, and so reports are not in every instance encouraging, but several of the churches are advancing rapidly toward self-support.

God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.—Ps. lxxiii : 26.

THU 16

Black Hills Presbytery. Churches, 19; 15 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

"Sabbath desecration and greed for gold are the great hindrances to our work here, but we are being filled with the new evangelistic spirit prevailing in the Church, and expect great results during the coming year. We need the prayers of the Church for deeper consecration."

I will pray for you unto the Lord.—I Sam. vii : 5.

FRI 17

Central Dakota Presbytery. Churches, 32; 23 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

Within the bounds of this presbytery the emigration is as marked as the immigration. This shifting population makes the work of the home missionary doubly hard and the results of his labors seemingly small.

The Lord shall be thine everlasting light.—Isa. lx : 20.

SAT 18

Southern Dakota Presbytery. Churches, 27; 18 aided; under care of 17 ministers.

"This is a period of unrest and removals. Many of our churches feel it keenly. But there seems a deeper longing for spiritual uplift and service. We have an unfailing Gospel and the promise of God's spirit. Pray that we may so pray as to receive."

Pray without ceasing.—I Thess. v : 17.

SUN 19

"O Lord, Thou knowest what is best for us: let this or that be done, as Thou shalt please. Give what Thou wilt and how much Thou wilt, and when Thou wilt. Deal with me as Thou thinkest good, and as best pleaseth Thee." *Amen.*

O God, be not far from me.—Ps. lxxi : 12.

MON 20

Synod of Wisconsin. Rev. L. C. Smith, synodical missionary. In the newly opened regions a "mixed multitude" is coming in. Whole sections of the State are almost as foreign as when the people were in the "old country," and it is a matter of pride with them to keep to old customs and the old language. The missionary with his Gospel message finds it hard to gain an entrance among them.

TUE 21

Chippewa Presbytery. Churches, 28; 10 aided; under care of 8 ministers.

"Our urgent needs are men and money and hearts full of enthusiasm and self-denial. The outlook is good. Pray for us."

No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Ps. lxxxiv : 11.

WED 22

La Crosse Presbytery. Churches, 16; 9 aided; under care of 9 ministers.

Most of the churches of this presbytery are in farming communities, and financial progress is necessarily slow. Special services have been held in the churches this last year, with good results.

I will be to them a God.—Heb. viii : 10.

THU 23

Madison Presbytery. Churches, 44; 26 aided; under care of 13 ministers.

"Pray that we may have an increase in membership, in home mission offerings, and in growth towards self-support."

Ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.—I Cor. xv : 58.

FRI 24

Milwaukee Presbytery. Churches, 35; 13 aided; under care of 10 ministers.

"At the opening of the new century of home missions, the Church needs to realize more than ever the great necessity of carrying the Gospel to the foreign elements of our population. Christianization, and hence Americanization, is imperative if our land be kept true to its best traditions."

I will make an everlasting covenant with them.—Isa. xli : 8.

SAT 25

Winnebago Presbytery. Churches, 51; 13 aided; under care of 12 ministers.

"Ours is a home mission presbytery covering a territory of twenty large counties. New towns are springing up as if by magic. Why is it that the Church does not wake to her opportunity and come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty?"

Arise, shine: for thy light is come.—Isa. lx : 1.

SUN 26

"Fill us with Thy love that forgives, and summons and empowers, and send us out into the world under this Thy summoning and challenging call. *Amen.*"

MON 27

Synod of Minnesota. R. N. Adams, D.D., synodical missionary.

"Minnesota is pre-eminently a home mission ground. The growth of the Synod in many respects has been phenomenal. Churches have multiplied to the number of 285, nine of which were added during the last Assembly year. Yet we have fallen far short of supplying even the pressing needs."

TUE 28

Duluth Presbytery. Churches, 37; 26 aided; under care of 14 ministers.

"With joy we herald victory. Two new organizations. Cloquit self-supporting. Reductions on four fields. Two congregations aiming at self-support this year. Thousands settling within our bounds calling for the Gospel, and the churches all supplied with consecrated men. We need more men and money."

Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world.—I John v : 4.

WED 29

Mankato Presbytery. Churches, 68; 43 aided; under care of 25 ministers.

This presbytery has the largest number of mission churches of any presbytery within the bounds of the whole Church, and in most of the fields the work of the past year has been most encouraging.

Sing forth the honour of his name.—Ps. lxvi : 2.

THU 30

Minneapolis Presbytery. Churches, 32; 11 aided: under care of 11 ministers.

"Difficulties have been many, and progress at times slow and even uncertain, but the churches are in better shape than a year ago and the prospect brightens."

Trust in him at all times.—Ps. lxii : 8.

FRI 31

Red River Presbytery. Churches, 30; 21 aided; under care of 12 ministers.

The needs of this presbytery were perhaps never greater than now. At the present time six men are needed to occupy vacant fields, and as many more to go into new fields which are ready to be occupied.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him.—Ps. cxiv : 18.

AUGUST

SAT 1

St. Cloud Presbytery. Churches, 32; 20 aided; under care of 12 ministers.

The rapid development of the large part of the State covered by this presbytery calls for immediate and enlarged attention. The opening of the country by the building of railroads has started a number of new towns, while the agricultural population has rapidly increased.

I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God.—Ps. xvii : 6.

SUN 2

"Let us specialize under the great appeal to lay down our lives for the brethren, and lay down some things much smaller for the hope of being worth something. How else are we to escape the condemnation of those who enjoy pronouncing the Lord's name but not doing His will?"—*Rev. Malbie D. Babcock.*

Blessed are all they that wait for him.—Isa. xxx : 18.

MON 3

St. Paul Presbytery. Churches, 37; 11 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

"Substantial spiritual progress has marked the past year in our home mission churches. The needs of the present are more consecrated men to take up work in our bounds and larger grants with which to equip them. Our appeal is to the Lord of the harvest."

Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my meditation.—Ps. v : 1.

TUE 4

Winona Presbytery. Churches, 47; 21 aided; under care of 12 ministers.

A shifting population and great infidelity on the part of newcomers combine to make the work in this field difficult and discouraging.

Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.—Ps. lv : 6.

WED 5

Synod of Missouri. The foreigners, who are coming into Missouri in large numbers, are very difficult to work with; they cling to old customs and superstitions, preferring even that their children should not receive Christian education and religion.

Let no man seek his own, but each his neighbor's good.—I Cor. x : 24.

THU 6

Kansas City Presbytery. Churches, 41; 20 aided; under care of 9 ministers.

While some progress has been made in this presbytery, yet it has been one of the hardest years in its history, owing to destructive droughts. The brethren are discouraged, but hope for better things soon.

The entrance of thy words giveth light.—Ps. cxix : 130.

FRI 7

Ozark Presbytery. Churches, 39; 21 aided; under care of 9 ministers.

"Pray for twenty-nine dependent churches; over thirty counties in which we have no church; a territory demanding the whole time of three Sabbath-school missionaries; several fields inviting us to enter; missionaries willing to endure hardness."

Let my cry come near before thee, O Lord.—Ps. cxx : 169.

SAT 8

Palmyra Presbytery. Churches, 38; 18 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

"Revivals with large results in three churches, two of which have become self-supporting. Constant removals from country fields and slow gains, but all in all a most encouraging year. We thank God and take courage."

Through God we shall do valiantly.—Ps. cviii : 13.

SUN 9

"There is nothing possible to a human soul greater than simple faithfulness. And the word faithful stands out as the hopeful, possible thing about our lives. Faithful—faith in God, fidelity to God—it means both."—*Maltbie D. Babcock.*

Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life.—Rev. ii : 10.

MON 10

Platte Presbytery. Churches, 52; 15 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

Some of the churches in this presbytery have been without regular services during the entire year. More men are needed to carry on the work.

My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
—Phil. iv : 19.

TUE 11

St. Louis Presbytery. Churches, 50; 31 aided; under care of 23 ministers.

"All our churches provided for. Our 'Home Mission Catechism,' placed in the hands of every member of our Church in the presbytery, has given much needed information. The present results of this effort are largely increased contributions to the Board in a special offering."

O give thanks unto the Lord:—Ps. cv : 1.

WED 12

Let us pray that the "stranger within our gates" may prove to us a blessing and not a curse.

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:
He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

THU 13

Let us pray that we may have that Christlike love "that believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things," that we may be justified in the risk taken in seeking to leaven an inferior lump into the leaven of civil and religious freedom.

FRI 14

Let us pray that we may be alive to the danger resulting from the overcrowding in our city tenements of the foreign element, where the very atmosphere is moral poison.

"Being cleansed by Thy precious blood, O Christ."

SAT 15

Let us pray for "the children from every land" who are with us for training and education.

In one of our public schools there are twenty-nine different nationalities of children.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."
The boys and girls who come to us are from Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Egypt, Spain, Poland, Austria, China, Servia, Scotland, Roumania, Hungary, Russia, France, Ireland, England, New Guinea, Venezuela, West Indies, Canada and New Zealand.

SUN 16

O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise even with my glory.

I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people, and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

MON 17

"America with her added possessions has a great problem before her—how to work out her own salvation. This problem is the more complex since she must work out the salvation of her *subject people* as well."

And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.—Isa. lxi : 5.

TUE 18

Special prayer for City Evangelization among the foreigners. The foreigners have not entered New York in small numbers, scattering through the city and partaking of our customs and life until their identity as aliens has become obliterated. On the contrary, they have come by the thousands, and they have massed together, occupying great sections of the city, nationality by nationality.

—*Helen F. Clark.*

WED 19

Prayer for wise restriction in immigration. "In the name of the Christian religion and popular education, immigration should be restricted, so that the school and the church may make some headway in creating an American sentiment and a Christian spirit in the community." Over sixty thousand immigrants landed here in a single year who could neither read nor write.

Strangers shall submit themselves unto me; as soon as they hear they shall be obedient unto me.—II Sam. xxii : 45.

THU 20

Prayer for the neglected foreigners, who are a serious menace to our institutions.

"The Bohemian is here with his infidel societies and the alarming growth of suicide. The Italian is here with his Mafias and stilettos. The Russian Jew is here with his filthy habits and greed of gold. We have the Poles, the Hun, the Finn, the Austrian and low types from other quarters, untrained, violent, lawless, intemperate, massed in mining regions and crowded in our large cities, a menace to peace, order and good citizenship.

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name.—Ps. lxxix : 9.

FRI 21

Prayer for the work of the Board among the foreigners in our western States and Territories.

Foreign populations are moving into the West with great rapidity. There are many in the Indian Territory, and they are going into Oklahoma. They are in the mining camps of the far West and in the forests of the Northwest. We are scarcely touching them at any of these points.

Through God we shall do valiantly.—Ps. cviii : 13.

SAT 22

Let us pray that here in America there shall be a fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah:

"It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills: and all nations shall flow into it."

SUN 23

O Lord, who lovest the stranger, defend and nourish, we entreat Thee, all sojourners in strange lands and poor, helpless persons, that they may glorify Thee out of grateful hearts; and to such as are tyrannical and oppressive give searchings of spirit and amendment of ways, that Thou mayest show mercy on them also. *Amen.*

MON 24

Chicago, Ill. (Immanuel Kindergarten.) Miss Eleanor Hahn, principal; Miss M. A. Cosgrove, assistant principal.

My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.—Isa. liv : 10.

The neighborhood of "Immanuel" is chiefly Roman Catholic. There are ten different nationalities represented in the school—French, English, Irish, Scotch, Polish, Russian, Dutch, German, Swedish and Bohemian.

TUE 25

Chicago, Ill. (Industrial School.) Miss Mary A. Byrne, principal, and nine volunteers.

The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord.—Prov. xx : 27.

"There is no life so humble that, if it be true and genuinely human and obedient to God, it may not hope to shed some of *His* light."—*Bishop Brooks.*

WED 26

Chicago, Ill. (Olivet Mission.) Miss Ruth Beyer, principal; Miss Ross and one cadet, assistants.

"Speak, for I hear! Make 'pure in heart,'
Thy face to see in church and mart—
Lord, here am I!"

This mission is situated on the outskirts of a district long known in Chicago as "Little Hell," but it is fast losing its claim to that title, much of the improvement being due to the mission in its midst, which has become a power for good.

THU 27

Chicago, Ill. (West Division St. Mission.) Miss B. Lorentz, principal; Miss Gould, assistant.

"It is not 'let your lips speak,' but 'let your light shine.' The living Epistle is not known and *heard* of all men, but known and *read*."

FRI 28

New Prague, Minn. Miss May J. Nowak, missionary.

Cast not away your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward.—Heb. x : 35.

Fond du Lac, Wis. Miss Susie J. Pinkham, missionary.

Behold, God himself is with us for our captain.—II Chron. xiii : 12.

Love ye therefore the stranger; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.
—Deut. x : 20.

SAT 29

Coreopolis, Pa. Miss Mary Smreck, missionary.

Beloved, thou doest a faithful work in whatsoever thou doest toward them that are brethren and strangers withal.—III John v.

The work in Pennsylvania is new work among the miners.

Philadelphia, Pa. Mrs. Lulu E. S. Treichter, missionary.

"It is slow work, this trying to Christianize and Americanize the foreigners that are being poured into our land, and great faith is required that we be not disheartened, but we can look forward to the day when all nations, wherever they may be scattered, shall proclaim Christ as their Saviour. And in that day may we not be able to realize more fully the far-reaching influence of this school work and appreciate as never before the words, 'And a little child shall lead them.'"

SUN 30

Give us grace, O Lord, to work while it is day, fulfilling diligently and patiently whatever duty Thou appointest us; doing small things in the day of small things, and great labors if Thou summon us to any; rising and working, sitting still and suffering, according to Thy word. *Amen.*

MON 31

Prayer that, as a nation, we may be filled with love, charity, patience and benevolence towards all foreign-speaking people who flock to our shores, and that wisdom and justice may be shown by those who legislate for our country.

Not one of them is forgotten before God.—Luke xii : 6.

SEPTEMBER THE OUTLOOK

TUE 1

Prayer for guidance to meet the most pressing needs in Home Mission work.

For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray and make request for you, that ye may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, to walk worthily of the Lord unto all pleasing, bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God.—Col. i : 9, 10.

WED 2

Prayer that our organization may be strengthened by increased membership.

Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows ?

Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.—Is. lx : 8, 9.

THU 3

Prayer for officers and leaders in all departments of home mission work, in Board, societies and churches.

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.—Jude 20, 21.

FRI 4

Special prayer for Young People's organizations, Christian Endeavor Societies, Junior and Band leaders.

When he putteth forth all his own, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice.—John x : 4.

So when they had broken their fast, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, lovest thou me more than these ? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him: feed my lambs.—John xxi : 15.

SAT 5

Prayer for the Literature Department and Periodicals,—for those who choose or prepare articles for publication; for the workers who select and forward leaflets adapted to local conditions and for those who receive and read the literature.

Teach me good knowledge and judgment; for I have believed thy commandments. —Ps. cxix : 66.

SUN 6

"Christ's conception of Christianity was heavens removed from that of a man setting out from the City of Destruction to save his soul. It was rather that of a man dwelling amidst the destructions of the city and planning escapes for the souls of others." —*Henry Drummond, F.R.S.E., LL.D.*

Shew me thy ways, O Lord: teach me thy paths.—Ps. xxv : 4.

MON 7

Prayer for approaching meetings of synods and synodical societies.

Glory and honour are in his presence: strength and gladness are in his place.—I Chron. xvi : 27.

TUE 8

Synod of Nebraska. Thomas L. Sexton, D.D., synodical missionary says: "Some advance has been made in the establishment of new work in fields hitherto unoccupied by our denomination. . . . Repeated failures of crops have been a serious hindrance to progress towards self-support."

Unto God would I commit my cause.—Job v : 8.

WED 9

Box Butte Presbytery. Churches, 18; 9 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

"If we love our country, not to say our God, we ought to give liberally and conscientiously to establish churches in the newly settled regions of our land, that society may be fashioned under religious influence and the nation preserved."

Let us not be weary in well-doing.—Gal. vi : 9.

THU 10

Hastings Presbytery. Churches, 36; 25 aided; under care of 17 ministers.

"'God is love.' He has sent us few trials—unnumbered blessings! We need a closer walk with Christ, power to lead others to Him, more laborers sent of God, better living, freer giving, more working, more praying."

Give thy strength unto thy servant.—Ps. lxxxvi : 16.

FRI 11

Kearney Presbytery. Churches, 43; 32 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

Progress towards self-support is being made in the larger towns, but the country districts have many and serious difficulties to overcome. Yet they need and appreciate the Gospel just as certainly as people in towns and cities.

He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.—Deut. xxxi : 6.

SAT 12

Nebraska City Presbytery. Churches, 50; 20 aided; under care of 17 ministers.

"The last General Assembly emphasized evangelistic work. This is the life of home missions: consecration to the great work of soul winning is the crying need of the Church. We need Spirit-filled men with a passion for souls for our home mission churches."

The Lord shall fight for you.—Ex. xiv : 14.

SUN 13

"The century calls for God's men. Has there been some revival of missionary spirit? Thank God there has; but how meagre to employ our equipment, how poor in the presence of possibilities. We need a spirit of evangelism that, like a flying squadron, shall hasten from port to port with its message of life."—*C. L. T.*

Make thy face to shine upon thy servant.—Ps. cxix : 135.

MON 14

Niobrara Presbytery. Churches, 35; 22 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

"Our thirty-five living churches are the fruits of the Home Board. Twenty-two are still dependent. Our rural fields are needy, yet deserving. New work is thrust upon us. The people are grateful, willing, responsive. Divine grace, plus your help, works miracles here."

I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.—Ex. xx : 24.

TUE 15

Omaha Presbytery. Churches, 48; 25 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

Omaha Presbytery sends greeting: God, who appoints the boundary lines of the nations, surveys and christens the spiritual possessions of His children. Omaha—"farther up." Can we cultivate and bring to rich harvests these pre-emptions staked out by our home missionary fathers? Omaha answers, "By His grace, we will!"

O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me.—Isa. xliv : 21.

WED 16

Synod of Kansas. S. B. Fleming, D.D., synodical missionary, writes: "Now that Kansas is rapidly coming out of the long siege of depression and a great influx of new blood is steadily flowing in upon us, I am not in favor of abandoning a single one of our fields. The future is full of hope, and the work of the Presbyterian Church is only fairly begun."

Come, and let us join ourselves to the Lord.—Jer. l : 5.

THU 17

Emporia Presbytery. Churches, 65; 39 aided; under care of 23 ministers.

"Emporia Presbytery is grateful for good revivals; for general advancement, nearly every church being supplied with preaching; for progress realized by Emporia College. We pray for revival in every church, for financial aid for Emporia College, and for blessing and prosperity in all God's work."

The Lord shall be thine everlasting light.—Isa. lx : 19.

FRI 18

Larned Presbytery. Churches, 42; 25 aided; under care of 16 ministers.

The extension of the Rock Island Railroad opens up new work in this presbytery. The fields already occupied are in a much more encouraging condition.

His glory shall be seen upon thee.—Isa. lx : 2.

SAT 19

Neosho Presbytery. Churches, 64; 24 aided; under care of 13 ministers.

"We have great reason to rejoice over what God has done for us in the past, and can look forward to 1903 with renewed hope. Our mission fields are better manned, with a fuller measure of faith; thus equipped, greater blessings must come. May the Christ of love be with us.

The Lord will give strength unto his people.—Ps. xxix : 11.

SUN 20

The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life: of whom shall I be afraid?
Ps. xxvii : 1.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust.—Ps. xxxi : 1.

MON 21

Osborne Presbytery. Churches, 28; 20 aided; under care of 11 ministers.

This presbytery covers almost one-fourth of the territory included in the State of Kansas; it is two and a half times as large as the State of New Jersey. There is not a self-supporting field in it. We need more workers.

His mercy endureth forever.—Ps. cvii: 1.

TUE 22

Solomon Presbytery. Churches, 48; 24 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

"Speed! Such cause of haste
Thine active sinews never braced.
Bend 'gainst the steepy hill thy breast,
Burst down like torrent from its crest;
Parched are thy burning lips and brow,
Yet by the fountain pause not now."

The Lord is my strength and song.—Ex. xv : 2.

WED 23

Topeka Presbytery. Churches, 47; 28 aided; under care of 16 ministers.

"Our great need is spiritual vitality.

'"Tis life of which our nerves are scant,
More life and fuller that we want.'

Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of Light to intensify our experience of His power and beget in us a diviner passion for His service."

Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts.—Zech. iv : 6.

THU 24

Synod of Colorado. T. C. Kirkwood, D.D., synodical missionary. "The event of the year has been the large number of churches (eight) that have come to self-support. There have been the same number of new organizations, and more are in sight."

This God is our God for ever and ever. He will be our guide even unto death.
—Ps. xlviii : 14.

FRI 25

Boulder Presbytery. Churches, 29; 19 aided; under care of 17 ministers.

"The vast material resources of Wyoming are now being developed rapidly; the Presbyterian Church must keep in the front ranks of the battle. We must have more men for the work and more money to support them."

Let us go up at once and possess it.—Num. xiii : 30.

SAT 26

Denver Presbytery. Churches, 26; 18 aided; under care of 13 ministers.

"Signs of prosperity on every hand; evangelistic work carried on in several fields. Two charges reach self support; others moving that way. Central Church has taken hold of the Corona Mission and will make it strong. New mission organized at Logan."

Arise, shine: for thy light is come.—Isa. lx : 1.

SEPTEMBER

SUN 27

"O our Father, for Thy great love toward us, we thank Thee; for Thy disclosure of Thyself in Jesus Christ, we bless Thee."

Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.—John xvii : 11.

MON 28

Gunnison Presbytery. Churches, 14; 7 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

"Frequent changes in stated supplies discourage church members and retard progress. We need three ministers who are willing to 'endure hardness' on fields that promise but small financial remuneration."

The Lord knoweth them that are his.—II Tim. ii : 19.

TUE 29

Prayer for our Treasury. For a large outpouring of the grace of self-denial and liberality upon all Christians.

"Remember that the scales of him who sees the heart tip not with the weight of silver or gold, but with the pressure of sacrifice."

WED 30

Synod of Utah. S. F. Wishard, D.D., synodical missionary. This past year has been one of activity and aggression on the part of the Mormon Church. To merely hold the ground already won in Utah requires much work and patience, as well as grace. To advance becomes increasingly difficult.

The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble.—Nahum i : 7.

OCTOBER

THU 1

Boise Presbytery. Churches, 10; 9 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

The shifting character of a frontier population that has always been on the move, the uncertainty regarding water rights and water laws in this arid country, and the general disregard of the Sabbath, as there is no law in Idaho regarding the observance of the day—these things make work difficult and progress slow.

Be ye mindful always of his covenant.—I Chron. xvi : 15.

FRI 2

Presbytery of Kendall. Churches, 11; 8 aided; under care of 7 ministers.

"The Holy Spirit, through our missionaries and teachers, your means, sympathies and prayers, has made the past year our best. May there be still greater blessings awaiting our united efforts in the year upon which we are entered."

If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed . . . nothing shall be impossible unto you.—Matt. xvii : 20.

SAT 3

Utah Presbytery. Churches, 26; 22 aided; under care of 22 ministers.

"Utah is the most important missionary field in the country. Mormonism is the most wicked device of Satan for the destruction of man. It is a menace to the Government. It is a curse to everything it touches. Multitudes of souls are perishing through its influence."

Brethren, pray for us.—II Thess. iii : 1.

SUN 4

O Lord, grant all who contend for the faith never to injure it by clamor or impatience; but by speaking Thy precious truths in love so to present it that it may be loved, and that men may see in it Thy goodness and beauty. *Amen.*

MON 5

American Fork, Utah. Miss M. F. Paden, Miss Mary D. Wilson, teachers.

Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? There is no searching of His understanding.

He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.—Isa. xl : 28, 29.

TUE 6

Brigham. Mrs. C. E. Sullivan, Miss C. B. Sullivan, teachers.

I the Lord do keep it; I will water it every moment; lest any hurt it, I will keep it night and day.—Isa. xxvii : 3.

If we had planted mission schools from the first in all the Mormon towns, as fast as they sprang up, there would be no Mormon problem staring this nation in the face to-day. Every town where there has been a mission school for any length of time is a fatally weak spot in the Mormon armor.

WED 7

Fairview. Miss Hattie D. Hotchkin, teacher.

"Be strong.
It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes; the day, how long.
Faint not, fight on! To-morrow comes the song."—*M. D. Babcock.*

THU 8

Gunnison. Miss Mary Hemenway, teacher.

Thy shoes shall be iron and brass: and as thy days, so shall thy strength be.—Deut. xxxiii : 25.

FRI 9

Hyrum. Miss A. L. Doggett, teacher.

"Keep Thou my feet, I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me."—*Newman.*

SAT 10

Kaysville. Miss Anna Noble, teacher.

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.—Jas. iv : 7.

"We need money, but our *greatest need is prayer*. We need incessant, importunate prayer, for we are not fighting with human opponents alone, but against the 'rulers of the darkness of this world,' against the same satanic power which conceived this soul-destroying faith, and we must rely upon divine help for success."

SUN 11

O Lord, Shield of our help, who will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able, help us, we entreat Thee, in all our straits and wrestlings, to lift up our eyes unto Thee, and stay our hearts on Thee. *Amen.*

MON 12

Logan, Utah. (New Jersey Academy.) Mr. I. N. Smith, principal, Miss Alice E. Read, assistant principal.

I am the Bread of Life; he that cometh to me shall not hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.—John vi : 35.

"There is only one way ont of the difficult and discouraging Mormon problem, and that is—go through it. Scatter Gospel light and Gospel truth and bring Gospel power to bear upon a people unwilling, indeed, to receive it, but to be saved for Christian citizenship in no other way."—*C. L. Thompson, D.D.*

TUE 13

Miss H. E. Elliott, Miss A. L. Raymond, Miss Hannah Jensen, teachers; Miss Kate S. Smith, matron.

"Let us not be easily content. The note of heroism should be in our battles with sin, in our speaking, in our giving, in our serving. Our King deserves and expects kingliness."

WED 14

Manti. Miss Mattie White, Miss Elsie D. Reynolds, teachers.

Give us the courage that prevails,
The steady faith that never fails;
Help us to stand in every fight
Firm as a fortress to defend the right.

"Is it not just as important to labor for the Christian rescue of the tens of thousands of lost men and women held in the bondage of this false system, as for the rescue of similar thousands in bondage to the false systems of the Orient?"—*Rev. R. G. McNeill.*

THU 15

Mendon. Miss M. J. Christie, teacher.

I am thy shield, and thy reward shall be exceeding great.—Gen. xv : 1.

Monroe. Miss Rose M. Lowry, teacher.

"No soul ought to be carrying any weight or trouble which really is its Lord's, or to be discouraged in any task or trouble which is really its own."—*Bishop Brooks.*

FRI 16

Mount Pleasant. (Wasatch Academy.) Mr. George H. Marshall, principal; Miss Ella C. Herron, Miss Anna Stanley, Miss Cora M. Owen, teachers.

O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? And he said, Many shall be purified and made white and tried.—Dan. xii : 8.

"Of one thing we are sure—God himself must solve these problems, not for Utah alone, but for the nation. May we be found in our place, and doing the work He would have us do, and in His way."—*S. E. Wishard, D.D.*

SAT 17

Miss Mabel K. Sweeny, Miss Eva A. Laughlin, teachers; Mrs. Emma Hostetter, matron.

"Let us but labor, and pray, and wait, and the intervals of human frailty shall grow shorter and less dark, the days of our delight in God longer and brighter, till at last life shall be nought but His love; our eyes shall never grow dim, His smile never turn away."

SUN 18

O Almighty God, grant, we beseech Thee, that we, whose trust is under the shadow of Thy wings, may through the help of Thy power overcome all evils that rise up against us. *Amen.*

MON 19

Nephi. Miss Alice E. Russell, Miss Mary Etta Martin, teachers.

Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God.—Rev. xii : 10.

"This is one of our most interesting and prosperous missions."

"Nephi is under the brow of Mt. Nebo. Nebo is a right royal mountain, the monarch of the mountains in Southern Utah. The Mormon people, ignorant foreigners mostly, even to-day believe that this was the real Nebo from which Moses viewed the promised land, where he died and was buried by the angels of God. It might well be so, as the outlook certainly is grand, and the country, visible for one hundred miles, is beautiful, capable of being transformed into a perfect Palestine or Paradise."

—*Rev. G. F. McAfee, D.D.*

TUE 20

Parowan. Miss Mae Kyle, Miss Charlotte Kyle, teachers.

"I too have toiled; thy toil is mine;
I too have lived thy life of care
And borne the burdens thou dost bear;
Not from my cross I call to thee,
But from thy side—come, learn of me!"

WED 21

Payson. Miss Ulna Pryor, Miss Jane Martin, teachers.

"So shall we best 'use and enjoy and deepen our faith by sharing it with others. The brightest, and bravest, and strongest, and most blessed souls are those which feel their religion a trust, their faith a profession before many witnesses, their warfare not only fighting for themselves but contending for their Master, their crown, when it comes to them from the King's hand, sparkling beyond the brightness of the firmament with the precious salvation of a brother's soul.'"

THU 22

Richfield. Miss Florence B. Bingham, teacher.

I will watch to see what he will say unto me, . . . and the Lord answered me, Make the vision plain, that he may run that readeth.—Hab. ii : 1, 2.

Richmond. Miss Margaret Clarke, teacher.

All his saints are in thy hand.—Deut. xxxiii : 3.

"The little chapel-schoolhouse stands as a protest against ignorance, bigotry and sin under the cloak of religion. The work has met with much opposition, and from various causes has been several times interrupted, but is again in good hands and promises well."

FRI 23

Salina. Miss Alice Quinton, Miss Mary Lamont, teachers.

"On left hand and on right,
Without me and within,
O manifest Thy sovereign might,
And vict'ry win.

"Grant unto me the word
Thou see'st that I need
In telling men Thy truth, O Lord,
That they may heed."

SAT 24

Smithfield. Miss Theresa Stalker, teacher.

And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations.—Rev. ii : 26.

SUN 25

Kindle in us the fire of Thy love; help Thou our weakness, that, strengthened in Thee and by Thee, we may take heed by good works to make our calling sure. *Amen.*

MON 26

Salt Lake City. (Collegiate Institute.) Mr. Robt. J. Caskey, principal; Miss Mabel L. Morgan, assistant principal; Mr. S. S. Stahl, Miss L. M. Condit, Miss H. M. Wishard, teachers.

Go thou and read the words of the Lord in the midst of the people. It may be they will present their supplications before the Lord, and will return every one from his evil way.—Jer. xxxvi : 6, 7.

TUE 27

Collegiate Institute. Miss Anna E. Murphy, preceptress; Mrs. Frances E. Morgan, matron.

They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord.—Isa. xi : 9.

Salt Lake City. (Camp Mission.) Mrs. Sarah L. Reed, missionary.

Those who believe in the power of the Gospel must believe that it is able to evangelize the Mormon population. It is the wisdom and the power of God. The results there have lingered and been few. It is a Gospel warfare in the heart of the enemy's country.

WED 28

Springville. (Hungerford Academy.) Mr. Hubert G. Brown, principal; Miss Lou R. Paden, assistant principal; Miss Eva Brittain, Miss Edith Hughes, Miss G. Watkins, Miss N. H. Britan, teachers; Miss Elizabeth Kyle, matron.

Encourage the faint-hearted, support the weak, be long-suffering towards all.—I Thess. v : 14. (Revised Version.)

THU 29

St. George. Miss Ada L. Thomas, teacher.

St. George is a far-away, lonely station, being sixty-five miles from the nearest railroad. "Be not afraid, neither doubt, for God is your guide."

Wellsville. Mrs. Ida G. Walker, missionary; Miss Belle Walker, teacher.

Just when we feel the weakest—in some dark, desolate hour—
When the spirits of evil assail and torment with terrible power,
Then suddenly strength is given, and we who were lying low
Have risen to fresher triumphs; again have conquered the foe.

FRI 30

Franklin, Idaho. Miss Harriet Elliott, teacher.

Malad, Idaho. Miss Rhoda Nelson, Miss Margaret Forsythe teachers.

"They first gave their own selves to the Lord."

This is what He asks of every one of us. This is the strong appeal of grace, enforced by the unexampled opportunities for service we have in these latter days. This is the strong appeal of grace: ourselves for Christ, and ourselves His to bring the world to Him.

SAT 31

Paris, Idaho. Miss K. B. Taylor, teacher.

Samaria, Idaho. Miss Hattie Finigan, teacher.

Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord which he will show you this day.—Ex. xiv : 13.

The reach of the problem will not be understood until we realize that Mormonism is not merely a religious vagary, is not fanaticism fired by a rare enthusiasm, but that it is an engine of singular unity, compactness, and power to effect political results of the vastest and gravest nature."—*Rev. C. L. Thompson, D.D.*

SUN 1

Hear, oh, thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep; show thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubim. Before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manassas, stir up thy strength and come and help us.—Ps. lxxx : 1, 2.

Oh, be favorable and gracious unto Zion; build thou the walls of Jerusalem.—Ps. li : 18.

MON 2

Los Angeles, Cal. Miss Minnie Cameron, matron; Miss Ida L. Boone, teacher.

"For they are ministers of God's service, attending continually upon this very thing."

The present Spanish population of California is about 50,000. Of these only a few hundred families are of pure Spanish blood. There are several thousand Spanish-speaking Indians, some 10,000 natives of Old Mexico, while 30,000 to 40,000 are Californians of Mexican (mixed Spanish and Indian) descent.

TUE 3

Alamosa Canon, Col. Miss ———, teacher.

He is my God; my Father's God, and I will exalt him.—Ex. xv : 2.

Father Gomez gathered the first band of Bible Christians in New Mexico. Having seen for the first time a Spanish Bible, he went 150 miles to Santa Fé to purchase one.

Ignacio, Col. Mr. A. J. Rodriguez, evangelist; Miss A. E. McAllister, teacher.

For this will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the Lord, to serve him with one consent.—Zeph. iii : 9.

WED 4

La Costilla. (Manzanares P. O.) Miss Anna Melton, teacher.

San Juan. (Magote P. O.) Miss Mollie Clements, teacher.

"Teach me the lesson Thou hast taught—
To feel for those Thy blood hast bought—
That every word and deed and thought
May work a work for Thee."

THU 5

San Pablo. Mrs. A. M. Granger, missionary; Miss Leva T. Granger, teacher.

"Jesus, Lord of glory,
As we breast the tide
Whisper Thou the story
Of the other side."

FRI 6

Albuquerque, N. M. (Menaul School.) Mr. J. C. Ross, superintendent; Mr. C. M. Wallin, Miss Sarah B. Sutherland, teachers.

Holding forth the word of life, that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither labored in vain.—Phil. 2 : 16.

The results, as shown by the work of those who have gone out from the school, are most gratifying. Some of them are teaching in the public schools of New Mexico and are classed among the best, while others have chosen other lines of work and are successful.

SAT 7

Albuquerque. Mrs. J. C. Ross, matron; Miss Sarah J. Ross, assistant matron; Miss Sibella Rutherford, industrial teacher.

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.—Isa. xxxv : 1.

SUN 8

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee; my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee, in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is.—Ps. lxiii : 1.

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed.—Ps. lxv : 1.

MON 9

Albuquerque, N. M. (Missionary Training Class.) Rev. Henry C. Thomson, D.D., missionary.

Go home to thy friends and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee. Mark v : 19.

We have now six bright young men, the cream of New Mexico, in this training department, and two Indian boys.

TUE 10

Agua Negra. (Holman P. O.) Miss Anna McNair, Miss Etta Moore, teachers.

Come thou with us and we will do thee good, for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel.—Num. x : 29.

Arroyo Hondo. Miss L. C. Galbraith, missionary; Miss Isa E. Dwire, teacher.

"As laborers in Thy vineyard
Still faithful may they be,
Content to bear the burden
Of weary days for thee."

Arroyo Seco. Mr. Jacob Mondragon (native), teacher.

Be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might.—Eph. vi : 10.

WED 11

Canon Bonito. (Hall's Peak P. O.) Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hall missionaries.

By pureness, by knowledge, by love unfeigned; by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left.—II Cor. vii : 6, 7.

THU 12

Trementina, N. M. (Bell Ranch P. O.) Miss Alice A. Blake, teacher.

Chimayo. Miss Prudence Clark, Miss Jennie Clark, teachers.

Whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me.—Matt. xviii : 5.

FRI 13

El Rito, N. M. (Chacon P. O.) Miss S. Louisa Conklin, teacher.

Embudo. (Rinconado P. O.) Miss M. B. Leadingham, teacher.

"When our foes are near us,
Then Thy Word doth cheer us—
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation."

"A man who was expelled from the Penitente Society because he sent his children to our mission school said, 'I would rather have my children educated than be a member of the Penitentes.'"

SAT 14

Las Cruces, N. M. Miss H. M. Bishop, Miss M. A. LeDuc, teachers.

And when he putteth forth his own sheep he goeth before them and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.—John x : 4.

Evangelistic work in New Mexico is compassed by nearly all the difficulties incident to both home and foreign missionary effort.

The opportunities for the work of Christian education are practically unlimited. The people are awakening out of their long sleep and must have light.

SUN 15

Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer; from the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed; lead me unto the rock that is higher than I.—Ps. lxi : 1, 2.

MON 16

Las Truches, N. M. Miss Rebecca S. Meeker, teacher.

Las Vegas, N. M. Miss Maggie Fleming, teacher.

The Lord will give strength unto his people. The Lord will bless his people with peace. —Ps. xxix : 11.

As a class the Mexicans are densely ignorant. Five-sixths of the children are growing up without even an elementary education.

TUE 17

Los Lentes, N. M. (Los Lunas P. O.) Miss Henrietta Caskey, teacher.

Pajarito, N. M. Miss Rebecca Rowland, teacher.

"Whenever danger threatens, then,
Oh! Holy Spirit, be Thou there
And breathe into each trembling heart
The will and power of fervent prayer."

"Powerful adversaries are alert, and watching every attendant at our services, placing every obstacle in the way. It is impossible to tell all we have to contend with, but we must press on by faith, fervent prayer and patient endurance."

WED 18

Penasco, N. M. Miss Sue M. Zuver, teacher.

Yet a little while, and the time of harvest shall come.—Jer. li : 33.

The Lord will not fail thee, neither forsake thee.—Deut. xxxi : 8.

Raton, N. M. Miss Cora S. Laughlin, teacher.

For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love which ye have showed towards his name.—Heb. vi : 10.

THU 19

Santa Fe, N. M. Boarding and Industrial School for Mexican Girls. Miss Matilda L. Allison, superintendent; Miss Fannie L. Allison, Miss Caroline Courtney, Miss M. E. Foresman, teachers; Miss Kate Zimmerman, Miss Emma Brown, Miss M. B. Morrow, industrial teachers; Miss Antoinette Brengle, matron.

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and ye that have no money, come ye, buy and eat; yea, come buy wine and milk without money and without price.—Isa. lv : 1.

Feed my sheep, feed my lambs.—John xxi : 15, 16.

Many poor Mexican girls who have come—often long distances—to gain places in this school have to be sent back to the most wretched conditions.

There is genuine pleasure in taking these half-starved, spiritless, sad-eyed children to see them develop into strong, rollicking, happy little maidens.

FRI 20

Socorro, N. M. Miss Kate M. Sleight, teacher.

Taos, N. M. Miss Anna C. Krohn, teacher.

I will trust and not be afraid; for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.—Isa. xii : 2.

SAT 21

Taos (El Prado), **N. M.** Miss Elizabeth M. Craig, Miss Lucy Craig, teachers.

Taos (El Ranchos), **N. M.** Miss Alice Hyson, teacher.

In due season we shall reap if we faint not.—Gal. vi : 9.

"The Spirit of God is working mightily to the overthrowing of hoary superstition, the salvation of souls, and in giving a mighty uplift intellectually, industrially, morally and spiritually to these long-enslaved people."

SUN 22

"Could the martial spirit of the heroes of earthly battles thoroughly possess the soldiers of Christ, how swift and strong would the columns move across prairies and mountains, across islands and continents, till not one flag should fly that was not loyal to the name and the kingdom of Jesus Christ."—*C. L. T.*

The way of the Lord is strength.—Prov. x : 29.

MON 23

Synod of New Mexico. Rev. R. M. Craig, synodical missionary.

Lo, here is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.—Gen. xlvii : 23.

TUE 24

Arizona Presbytery. Churches, 17; 25 aided; under care of 23 ministers.

"Arizona is a dedicated place. Missionaries to the Indians were the first foreigners to enter. In twenty-one Presbyterian churches 2,100 members gather from Indian, Mexican and American homes. Twenty-one other places are occupied by our ministers as preaching stations."

Glory ye in his holy name.—Ps. cv : 3.

WED 25

Rio Grande Presbytery. Churches, 20; 16 aided: under care of 10 ministers.

"Last year our churches, almost without exception, advanced toward self-support. This shows more than a spirit of independence; it is evidence of love toward the Board that has nourished and cheered, and, above all, love for the Head of the Church, "whose we are and whom we serve."

My presence shall go with thee.—Ex. xxxiii : 14.

THU 26

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.—Ps. xcv : 2.

Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.—Eph. v : 20.

FRI 27

Santa Fe Presbytery. Churches, 23; 22 aided; under care of 10 ministers.

Oldest of civilized America, most destitute of spiritual forces; clamorous for statehood, but despising the kingdom of Christ; basking in perennial sunshine, eclipsed from the Light of the World, New Mexico awaits the baptism of fire and of love. Here resideth Indian, Mexican, American, but the most godless of these is the American.

Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters.—Isa. xxxii : 20.

SAT 28

Pueblo Presbytery—Synod of Colorado. Churches, 59; 41 aided; under care of 15 ministers.

Five churches were organized in the presbytery during the year and three reached self-support. The prospect of the fields is excellent, and a dozen places are maturing plans for the erection of small manses.

I will bless thee.—Ex. xx : 24.

SUN 29

Grant Thy servants, O Lord, to be set on fire with Thy Spirit, strengthened with Thy power, illuminated by Thy splendor, filled with Thy grace, and to go forward by Thine aid. *Amen.*

MON 30

Praise God for having graciously preserved the lives of the entire force of missionaries and mission teachers during the year.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endureth forever. —Ps. cvii : 1.

DECEMBER THE MOUNTAINEERS

TUE 1

"As the coal and iron furnished by the Mountaineers are indispensable in the industries of the country, so the men of the mountains, with their rugged capacities, will be much needed to replenish other communities with vitality and force. But as the ores must be dug out of the ground, put in shape for utility, and distributed, so much patient, painstaking labor is required to search out and fit for the world's uses the raw material in the forms of men. Than this, there is no human work more divine."

WED 2

Columbia, Ky. Mr. T. Baker, principal.

Cortland, Ky. Miss Margaret J. Cort, missionary.

Harlan, Ky. Rev. M. B. W. Granger, principal; Miss Delora B. Osborne, Miss Edna Wilmer, teachers; Miss Lura Lyle, matron.

For ye are labourers together with God, ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building. I Cor. iii : 9.

THU 3

Hindman, Ky. Miss Euretta Granger, Miss Ida M. Blake, missionaries.

Hyden, Ky. Rev. T. J. Miles, principal; Wm. Malcolm Salmond, missionary; Miss Mabel McNeal, Miss Lena Hastings, teachers.

"Each of God's soldiers bears a sword divine;
Stretch out thy trembling hands to-day for thine."

FRI 4

Manchester, Ky. Rev. Jerre Moore, D.D., principal; Miss C. H. Cox, Miss Octavia M. Reed, teachers.

Goose Creek Mission, Ky. (Manchester P. O.) Miss Carolyn W. Smith, Miss H. J. McCay, missionaries.

Pikeville, Ky. Rev. James F. Record, principal.

Behold, I will work a work in your days, which you will not believe, though it were told you.—Hab. i : 15.

SAT 5

Asheville, N. C. (Normal and Collegiate Institute.) Rev. Thomas Lawrence, D.D., president; Mrs. Thomas Lawrence, principal; Miss Anna D. Casler, associate principal.

Behold, we call them blessed which endureth.—Jas. v : 11.

The work of the mountains of the South is made attractive because of the responsiveness of the people. Days of toil in the school-room, or in the shop, or on the farm become a pleasure, because of the fact that the work of the day will not be forgotten with the close of the day.

SUN 6

Dear Father, here we are where Thou hast placed us. Thou dost know Thy plans for us. Teach us that we may know them. We are not here for our own purposes, for Thou, God, hast sent us. May these days on earth be established in truest service and faithful ministry. *Amen.*

MON 7

Asheville, N. C. (Normal and Collegiate Institute.) Miss Adelaide Eastman, Miss R. B. Marshall, Miss Alice Smith, Miss Myrtle G. Bond, Miss Mary K. Marshall, Miss Lillian J. Adams, teachers.

"If any work is really God's giving, and He puts it either into our hearts to devise, or into our hands to do, no fear but He will provide stuff sufficient, whether metal or mental."—*Frances Ridley Havergal.*

TUE 8

Miss Josephine Huston, music teacher; Miss Lida Courtney, commercial teacher; Miss Elizabeth Baughn, matron; Miss Lida J. Mechling, assistant matron; Miss Ella Bickerstaffe, cooking teacher; Miss M. V. A. Kinney, sewing teacher.

"He gives us different sorts of work, according as He fits us for it, and calls us to it."

WED 9

Asheville, N. C. (Home Industrial School.) Miss Florence Stephenson, principal; Miss Mary Johns, Miss Dorothy P. Hervey, Miss Bessie Venard, Miss Lois Johnstone, teachers; Miss Ruth Dean, matron; Miss Anna E. Coe, assistant matron; Miss Katherine Allison, sewing teacher.

"Patience and strength are what we need; an earnest use of what we have now, and all the time an earnest discontent until we come to what we ought to be."—*Phillips Brooks.*

THU 10

Asheville, N. C. (Farm School P. O.) Rev. G. S. Baskerville, superintendent; Mr. Alexander E. Cance, principal teacher.

"The glory is not in the task, but in the doing of it for God."—*Jean Ingelow.*

FRI 11

Miss Elizabeth B. Williams, Miss Edith Flagler, Miss Blanche B. Bonine, Miss Sara M. Williams, teachers; Mr. Nelson Williams, industrial teacher.

Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.—II Cor. v: 20.

SAT 12

Miss Anna McArthur, matron; Miss Ida A. Custer, Miss Jessie L. Turner, Miss Evangeline Gorbold, Miss Alice Votaw, assistant matrons; Mr. J. F. Delzell, farmer; Mr. George Stepp, carpenter.

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way thou shalt go.—Ps. xxxii: 8.
Be of good courage, and he shalt strengthen your heart.—Ps. xxxi: 24.
"I never thought I could be as well satisfied as I am in this work."—*From a Farm School Teacher.*

SUN 13

O loving Father, do Thou fix our eyes upon Thee, who art love itself. Do Thou kindle and influence this divine fire in our breasts, that it may melt away all our secret repugnances and aversions, that our duties may no longer be a burden to us. For the sake of Him who loved us and gave Himself for us. *Amen.*

MON 14

Allanstand, N. C. (Barnard P. O.) Miss Frances L. Goodrich, missionary; Miss Emma Daniels, Miss Ella L. Allen, teachers.

"Our missionary teacher is the home helper, the comforter in sorrow, the nurse in sickness, the doctor oftener than she will, and sometimes the undertaker."

Blessed is she that believed, for there shall be a performance of those things that were told her from the Lord.—Luke i : 45.

TUE 15

Allanstand Mission. Rev. F. H. Heydenburk, missionary.

Big Laurel, N. C. (Mark Lance Memorial.) Miss Ollie Hendricks, Miss Almetta Harris, teachers.

I will open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing.—Mal. iii : 10.

WED 16

Brittain's Cove, N. C. (Weaverville P. O.) Miss Rose McCord, missionary; Miss E. Allene Drake, teacher.

Banks Creek, N. C. (Cane River P. O.) Miss Rebecca K. Newland, teacher.

"The Christian is one who in work, or life and prayer, strengthens herself for the sake of many."

THU 17

Concord, N. C. (Laura Sunderland Hall.) Miss Melissa Montgomery, principal; Miss Florence Redway, Miss Effie Morse, Miss L. H. Strang, teachers; Miss Alice Bryan, matron.

Concord, N. C. (Patterson's Mill.) Miss Mary G. Gaskey, missionary; Miss Mary E. McCartney, teacher.

"For hearts where wakened love doth lurk
How fine, how blest a thing is work."—*Jean Ingelow.*

FRI 18

Gahagans, N. C. Miss Edith B. Fish, missionary; Miss Lulu M. Allen, teacher.

Hot Springs Mission, N. C. Rev. Frederick W. Jackson, missionary.

Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatever thou doest.—III John 5.

SAT 19

Hot Springs, N. C. (Dorland Institute.) Miss Julia E. Phillips, principal; Miss Carrie B. Pond, Miss Dorothy J. Robinson, Miss Anna L. Watson, teachers; Miss Elizabeth A. Calvert, sewing teacher; Miss Hyantha Harger, matron.

"Sow with a generous hand,
Pause not for toil or pain;
Sow and look onward, upward.
You shall reap in joy the harvest
You have sown to-day in tears."

SUN 20

O God, who hast so loved the world as to give Thine only Son for a redemption, grant us joyful hearts as we approach the advent time. As we bring gifts to others whom Thou hast given us for love and care, we offer Thee anew the service of our lives. Help us to minister in loving kindness to all by whom we are surrounded, and give us peace on earth, good will to men. *Amen.*

MON 21

Hot Springs, N. C. (Boys' Home.) Mr. H. M. Daniel, industrial teacher; Mrs. H. M. Daniel, matron.

"Who shall estimate the light of saving influence that will go up those valleys from that school on the hill?"

Jack's Creek, N. C. (Day Book P. O.) Miss Elizabeth Hall, missionary; Miss Jennie M. Allison, teacher.

Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy we faint not.
—II Cor. iv : 1.

TUE 22

Jupiter Mission, N. C. Rev. T. Alden Stancliffe, missionary.

Jupiter, N. C. Miss Helen B. Mann, principal; Miss Myrtie L. Moore, teacher.

Little Pine Creek, N. C. (Kalamazoo P. O.) Miss Nora Janey Smith, teacher.

"It is more for our happiness to have our hands and our hearts full of anything, even of toil and sorrow, than to have them empty."

WED 23

Marshall, N. C. Rev. I. H. Polhemus, missionary; Miss Dora M. Fish, principal; Miss Anna Lee, Miss Ethie J. Vickery, teachers.

"O Master, let us walk with Thee the lowly paths of service free.
Tell us Thy secret, help us bear the stain of toil, the feet of care."

THU 24

Paint Rock, N. C. Miss Helen R. Cougle, missionary; Miss Jennie T. Buchanan, teacher.

Pensacola, N. C. Miss Ina Deaderick, teacher.

"Love came down at Christmas, love all lovely, love divine;
Love was born at Christmas, star and angels gave the sign."
—*Christina G. Rosetti.*

Xmas Day

They shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.
—Matt. i : 23.

Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins.—Matt. i : 21.

Revere, N. C. Miss C. E. Clarke, missionary; Miss V. McLean, teacher.

Shelton Laurel, N. C. (Allegheny P. O.) Miss Della J. Merchant, missionary; Miss Sue E. Reese, teacher.

Upper Shelton Laurel, N. C. Miss Laura Merrell, teacher.

SAT 26

Walnut Spring, N. C. (Marshall P. O.) Miss Mary Hull Morse, missionary; Miss H. A. Wylie, teacher.

Valdese, N. C. Miss Claudia A. Dinsmore, teacher.

For ye are all the children of God, by faith in Jesus Christ.—Gal. iii : 26.

"We thank God that He has permitted us to come here. The Waldensians, by their faithfulness, industry and steadiness, their love of church and school, will be a good example to the Americans."

SUN 27

Allardt, Tenn. Miss L. H. Keator, M. D., missionary.

"Almighty God, we come to Thee as the year is closing, and bless Thee for all Thy tender mercies. Grant us strength for new endeavors, assuring us of Thy help in all our labor. And when our years of love and service are ended, bring us to Thyself, through Jesus Christ our Lord." *Amen.*

MON 28

Crab Orchard, Tenn. Miss Iona Ball, teacher.
Black Water, Tenn. Miss Alice Thomas, missionary.
Elizabethton, Tenn. Rev. J. J. Loux, principal.
Vardy, Tenn. Miss S. E. MacBride, missionary.
Wilhite's Valley, Tenn. (Juniper P. O.) Miss H. E. Dailey, principal ; Miss Mabel Moore, teacher.

As of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ.—II Cor. ii : 17.

TUE 29

Erwin, Tenn. Mr. R. B. Elmore, principal; Mrs. Nettie F. Wilson, missionary ; Miss E. J. Conard, Miss Elizabeth Wilson, teachers.
Flag Pond, Tenn. Mrs. C. R. Donnelly, principal; Miss M. S. Wilson, Miss Mae Donnelly, teachers.
Grassy Cove, Tenn. Miss Emma Hicks, principal; Miss E. Newby, missionary ; Miss S. H. Hussey, Miss E. L. Iles, teachers.

In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence ; and his children shall have a place of refuge.—Prov. xiv : 26.

WED 30

Huntsville, Tenn. Rev. Arno Moore, principal ; Miss M. E. Caldwell, Miss O. Caldwell, Miss M. Broady, teachers.
Sneedville, Tenn. Miss F. E. Porter, principal ; Miss H. R. McCracken, teacher.
Acme, W. Va. Miss M. P. Spencer, Miss L. M. Adams, missionaries.
Clear Creek, W. Va. Miss I. B. Hall, Miss A. Sulza, missionaries,

Send me, I pray thee, good speed this day.—Gen. xxiv : 12.

THU 31

Dry Creek, W. Va. Mrs. M. R. McCune, Miss C. M. Bundy, missionaries.
Jarrold's Valley, W. Va. Miss M. B. Newcomb, Miss E. A. Jackson, missionaries.
Lawson, W. Va. Mrs. A. F. Mills, M.D., medical missionary ; Miss H. Phillips, matron.

"Submission, courage, exertion, these seem to be the weapons with which we must fight life's long battle."

"Shall we count it a 'strange thing' if we have to know 'discipling' in weary days of unrecognized faithfulness among uncongenial surroundings—the task so dull, the hope so remote, the heart so tired of the *low* and *little*, so hungry for the lofty and glorious? Be patient. Present tests are for future trusts. 'Be thou faithful' is the word for us to-day. To-morrow is God's and its glorious hope of the 'Crown of life.'"

—Rev. M. D. Babcock.

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3. To provide Home Missionary boxes.

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